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It's News Here!

Grayling, Roscommon Youths Seriously Injured Sunday

Four Grayling and Roscommon youths were injured in a car accident early Sunday morning. Thomas Latuszek, 16, of Grayling, was taken to Saginaw St. Mary's Hospital where he was listed as critical. Christina Shirley, 16, of Roscommon, was taken to Traverse City Munson Medical Center where she was listed as serious. Eric Root, 18, of Grayling, and Michelle Wislup, 15, of Roscommon, were listed as stable at Grayling Mercy Hospital. Two others in the car, Alfred Matthew, 17, and James Messerschmidt, 19, both from Grayling, were not injured in the crash. The Roscommon sheriff department said the vehicle was apparently traveling at a fast speed when it lost control on a curve along County Road 100 near Higgins Lake State Park, went off the road, struck a sign and tree, and rolled over.

Expo '86 Trade Show is Cancelled

The Expo '86 Trade Show, planned by the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce for April 12-13 at the Bear Museum, has been cancelled at the request of the Chamber's Board of Directors.

City to Pick Up in Spring Clean Up

City persons are requested to place all leaves, grass clippings and other material raked up during spring clean up in plastic bags and place them at curb side for pickup. We will be unable to pick up loose piles of such material until further notice. Residents are asked to place brush and tree limbs in neat piles at curb side and to call the city office to arrange pick-up.

All leaves, brush and other clean up debris should be kept in separate piles from bags of general household refuse to allow easier and more efficient pick-up.

Please call the City Office at 348-2131 for further information regarding disposal of specific items.

Thank you for your co-operation in creating a cleaner city.

Jerry W. Morford, City Manager

All Local Business Persons Invited To 2nd "Business After Hours" Thursday, April 17th

In response to the overwhelming success of our first "Business After Hours", the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce Ambassador's Club will be presenting their 2nd get together for all area business persons to be held Thursday, April 17, 1986, from 5-7 p.m. at Spike's Keg O'Nails.

Sponsor's for this event are Flowers by Josie, Weaver's Gifts, The Cottage and The Icehouse.

Ticket cost is \$2.00 at the door, there will be a cash bar. Door prizes will be awarded. For more information, please contact the Chamber at 348-2921.

City of Grayling Begins Annual Spring Cleanup Program

The Grayling City Police Dept. is completing a survey of the Grayling residential and business areas regarding unregistered, or junk vehicles, accumulated rubbish, and unsafe structures. This survey is in conjunction with the Grayling City Ordinances #72-3 (junk), and #22 (nuisance or unsafe structure), according to Pete Stephan, Grayling Chief of Police.

Survey results last year indicated a tremendous improvement over that of past years. Grayling residents are obviously becoming increasingly aware of Community pride. The City of Grayling would like to bring this improvement to the public awareness, also we would wish to express appreciation to residents for this improvement.

In advance of the Summer season, the Police Dept. again will be mailing correspondence to owners; or tenants of businesses, and private residents having questionable material accumulated on their property. Citizens are requested to cooperate jointly in this attempt, anyone wishing information as to methods for disposing of junk, or old vehicles, may contact the Grayling City Office (348-2131).

Less Than Month Remains For City Income Tax Amnesty Program

Less than a month remains for the City of Grayling income tax amnesty program. Persons required to file city income tax returns have until April 30 to correct any mistakes on their past returns. Anyone who lives in the city or works in the city must pay income tax. Residents of the city pay one percent tax on wages regardless of where they work. Non-residents who earn wages in the city must pay one half of one percent tax. If residents or workers in the city have any questions about the income tax, they should contact the city office immediately.

Range Firing Conducted

"Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling during the period 2 thru 9 April 86.

Firing will be in the following areas on the dates and times as indicated.

The Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Rd, east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek. Firing will begin at 8:00 a.m. 5 April 86 and cease at 5:00 p.m. 6 April 86.

The Range 40 Complex located north of County Rd 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd 618 and west of County Rd 197 (Twin Bridge Rd). Firing will begin on 2 April 86 and cease on 9 April 86.

The ranges will be closed to the public during these periods and all persons are warned to keep out of the areas identified.



HELPING YOUNGSTERS — Four Grayling High School students, Allen Morford, Erin Hickey, Kim McDonough, and Scott VanDeVen (left to right), were guest speakers last week at a substance abuse prevention program called "High on Myself" sponsored by 4-H and the Crawford County Sheriff Department. The high school students offered positive reinforcement for making your own decisions and not being pressured by others. Also on hand are Paul Smith, from the sheriff dept., Mike Gardner, middle school counselor, and Ann Stephenson, 4-H program assistant. High on Myself is a nine-week program of self-inquiry and group sharing offered to Grayling and Frederic Elementary fifth graders. Activities include self-concept building, communication skills, values clarification, problem-solving, decision-making, and stress reduction. Other high school students participating but not pictured are Tom Bacon and Todd Klingner.

State Workers At Camp Win Arbitration Decision

Arbitrator Erwin B. Ellmann, a Southfield attorney, ordered the Michigan Department of Military Affairs, specifically Camp Grayling, to stop using National Guardsmen to perform the work of the Camp's state workers.

Management at Camp Grayling assigned the making of "tent wire harnesses" which are used to provide electricity to tents while on field maneuvers, to National Guardsmen who were short of work to do. The camp Electricians, who have normally performed this job for years, filed a grievance against the department because they felt it was an erosion of their responsibilities and could result in eventual abolishment of their jobs.

The workers Union, the Michigan State Employees Association, took their grievance to arbitration saying that this incident could presage more substantial assaults upon the integrity of the bargaining unit and the existing Contract Agreement.

Arbitrator Ellmann concluded that the grievance was well taken, and that the Union was understandably alarmed. Ellmann ruled that the Employer violated the contract in assigning accustomed work of the electricians to persons outside the bargaining unit, whether to provide "training,"

wintertime relief from boredom, or for some other less benign reason.

The Employer contended that the more manufacture of tent wiring by National Guardsmen will lead to more troops being trained at Camp Grayling with the result that more electrical facilities will have to be maintained so that more work for electricians in the bargaining unit will eventually be provided. Ellmann responded to this in his decision by saying, "As bewitching as this wonderland logic may appear, the Union is not required to forego the immediate sustenance which it merits for some hypothetical pie in the sky."

MSEA Staff Representative Joel Secrist, who presented the Union's position at the arbitration hearing, said, "The transfer of work customarily performed by employees in the bargaining unit must be regarded as an attack on the job security of the employees whom the contract covers and therefore on one of the contract's basic purposes."

"We are very pleased with the arbitrator's decision. We feel that this decision will stop any attempt to phase out state jobs and replace with the cheap labor," Secrist said in a press release from the Michigan State Employees Association.

Group Wants 131 Routed To Grayling

A group of citizens gathered March 20 to discuss the future northerly extension of M-131 and its effect on the Grayling area economy, in a meeting called by Terry Wright, manager of the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Another major roadway meeting I-75 at Grayling would be of significant economic importance to the Grayling area economy, the group agreed. Although the future routing of M-131 has yet to be determined, the group agreed that any action taken now could persuade the state to examine the feasibility of routing the southwest Michigan highway to Grayling.

Currently M-131 extends in a north-south direction beginning from below Grand Rapids in the southwest portion of the state. M-131 has been completed as a four-lane expressway from its beginning to Cadillac where it then becomes a two-lane highway.

Plans are now well established to expand the existing two-lane roadway from Cadillac to Manton to a four-lane highway. The state highway department is currently looking at where it will locate the next section of the four-lane highway, and where M-131 will connect to I-75. Those interested in its further northerly course may influence now while the state is in the development stage of planning. Later, once the state's plans are formulated, it will be too late to influence.

Although the time frame of the state's intent to extend the M-131 highway is undetermined at this time, as are funding options, the state is planning where to route M-131 further north. Funding for this extended route is 90 percent federal government, and 10 percent state government.

The original state highway planners expressed the intention that at some time in the future, M-131 would merge with I-75 North. The group felt that Grayling is the most favorable meeting point and indicated

the following reasons:

1) The state's intent is to merge M-131 with I-75 at the location that would serve the largest number of travelers. Traffic counts indicate that a majority of travelers driving north of the Higgins Lake exit turn off at Grayling.

2) I-75 is the main highway artery from the southeast portion of the state. Likewise, M-131 is the main highway artery from the southwest portion of the state; while US-27 brings travelers here from south-central Michigan. I-75 and US-27 meet in Grayling, so it is a logical place for M-131 to serve both highways.

3) A proposal to supersede M-131 with M-72 is one way southwest Michigan travelers could have easy access to I-75 in central northern Michigan.

4) Currently Gaylord citizens are proposing their town as a merge site for M-131. However, if the roadway from Grayling to Gaylord is currently underutilized, it doesn't make sense to have another highway running parallel with it to the north.

5) In all other routes proposed so far, much of the right-of-way needs to be purchased. In the case of M-72, there is currently 25 miles of right-of-way available between Grayling and Kalkaska for the proposed four-lane construction of M-131. There appears to be only 2.5 miles of right-of-way that needs to be purchased. It would be relatively inexpensive for the state to acquire just 2.5 miles of right-of-way, most of which is state-owned land.

6) If M-131 were to be routed further north of Kalkaska rather than east to Grayling, the state will find hillier terrain, causing more expense in highway construction. M-72 is comparatively flat and would cost less per mile to construct.

7) There would be less highway mileage required if M-131 superseded M-72 to Gray-

Opposition Set To File For Injunction Against Catch & Release Rule

Within a week, the Committee To Oppose Catch-and-Release plans to file for a court hearing to seek an injunction to halt a new no-kill rule on the mainstream AuSable.

"Our objective is to try to file in time for the courts to act before opening day of trout season April 26," said Dwight Hassan, vice-chairman for the group.

"Because of the amount of detail involved we want to make sure we have all our 'i's' dotted and 't's' crossed. It takes a lot of time. We have to make sure all the resolutions we have from government bodies and groups and the biologists' reports are into legal form. We just can't say we disagree with the new rule," said Hassan at a public meeting last Wednesday at the Legion Post attended by about 35 persons.

"The burden of proof is on us. It's better to go in with everything together than go in half-baked and lose it. That's why we are making sure we have all the ingredients."

Besides the Committee To Oppose Catch-and-Release, other plaintiffs so far joining in the court case will be state senator Connie Binsfeld, state representative Ralph Ostling, Grayling Township, the City of Gray-

ling, and the George Mason Chapter of Trout Unlimited. The County of Crawford has also been asked to join. Before they make a decision, the commissioners asked prosecutor John Huss to review the resolution the county has to sign.

"Our purpose is singular," says Pete Stephan, chairman of the committee, "to remove this regulation. We are not seeking to undermine the Natural Resources Commission and have them lose their power. We want to repeal this new rule in a legal, organized matter."

The group will be paying for the court case by donations and fundraisers. To date, 120 persons or groups from Michigan, Indiana, Washington, Illinois, Florida, Arizona, Alabama, and Ohio have donated \$5,814. The group has also collected \$1,395 through anonymous contributions and advertisements sold in their publication, "The Creel." The Creel will be published in today's Avalanche and also will be sold separately.

The group also will raise money by selling \$1 campaign badges that say "Opposed To Mandatory Catch and Release."

Prosecutor Feels State Laws Adequate Protection Against Nude Dancing, Minors Drinking

Local ordinances dealing with nude dancing and minors drinking in private homes are not needed because state laws are adequate and easier to enforce, Prosecutor John Huss told Crawford County Commissioners.

Two county residents had requested adoption of local ordinances preventing nude dancing and making adults responsible for minors drinking on their property.

The county commissioners asked the prosecutor for his opinion on the two issues and Huss said he could not recommend adopting a local ordinance for either one.

Concerning nude dancing, the prosecutor said in a letter to commissioners that all nude dancing and similar dancing has occurred or is likely to occur within establishments licensed by the State Liquor Control Commission.

"The Liquor Control Commission has adopted a series of regulations...which prohibits such activity," Huss told commissioners in the letter. "The courts have held that such issues as freedom of speech and all of the other 'constitutional guarantees,' which have made the enforcement of obscenity statutes problematical, simply do not apply to the regulations governing conduct in those establishments licensed by the

M.L.C.C."

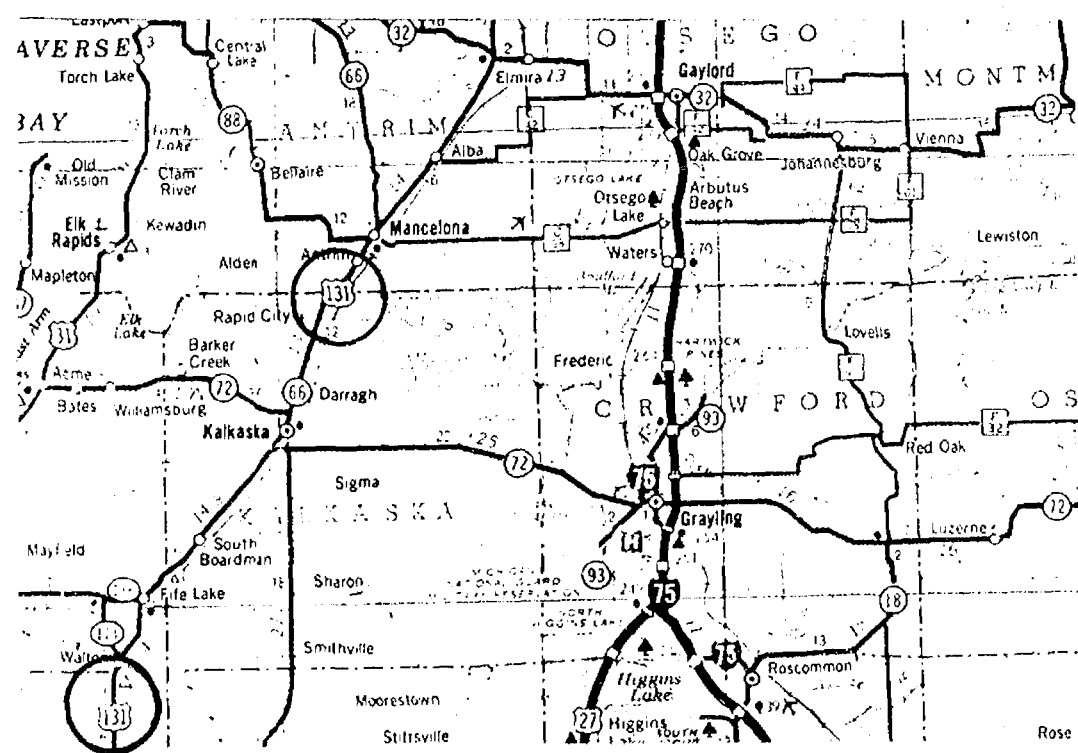
"In light of the foregoing, I cannot recommend adoption of a local ordinance inasmuch as the state regulations are not only adequate but far easier to enforce."

Concerning minors drinking, a citizen requested the commissioners adopt an ordinance creating criminal responsibility for adults who provide alcoholic beverages to minors in private homes.

Huss said a recent Michigan Supreme Court ruling (Longstretch v Gensel 423 Mich 675 - 1985) applies criminal sanctions against social hosts who violate the liquor control act.

The statute specifically says: "Alcoholic liquor shall not be sold or furnished to a person unless the person has attained 21 years of age. A person who knowingly sells or furnishes alcoholic liquor to a person who is less than 21 years of age, or who fails to make diligent inquiry as to whether the person is less than 21 years of age, is guilty of a misdemeanor."

"In light of the fact that the state has enacted statutory law creating criminal liability in the area of 'social drinking' (as interpreted by the State Supreme Court) I cannot recommend enactment of a local ordinance," Huss wrote.



Current Route of 2-Lane M-131

ling, than if M-131 cross the state farther north.

8) The creation of less highways in the state translates into less maintenance cost. The proposed reconstruction of M-72 would not have to be completed, and with the M-72 and M-131 merger, there would be less maintenance costs in the future.

9) Camp Grayling is growing. As the federally-funded National Guard camp continues to grow, the federal government has a larger interest in it. The federal government pays all wages to guardsmen in training. And as the guardsmen become a larger force and become more important to the military, then any roadway bringing guardsmen to Grayling more easily would look favorable to the federal government. As guardsmen from surrounding states

become more active in training at Camp Grayling, the necessary route from southwest Michigan to Grayling becomes more desirable.

9) Thousands of travelers would make their way to Grayling, resulting in a positive economic impact on the local economy.

The group noted that citizen concerns that M-131 would run through town are unwarranted. The proposed merging ramps would be constructed close to town, not through town.

All those who recognize the importance of this project for the economic future of Grayling should become actively involved in this proposal. Chamber officials are hoping for a larger turnout at the next M-131 meeting. The time and date for this meeting will be announced soon in the Avalanche.

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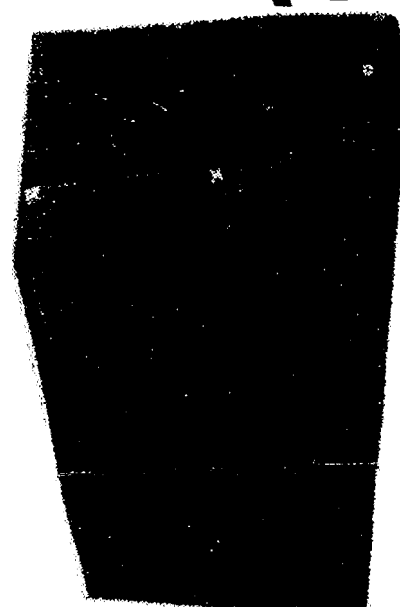
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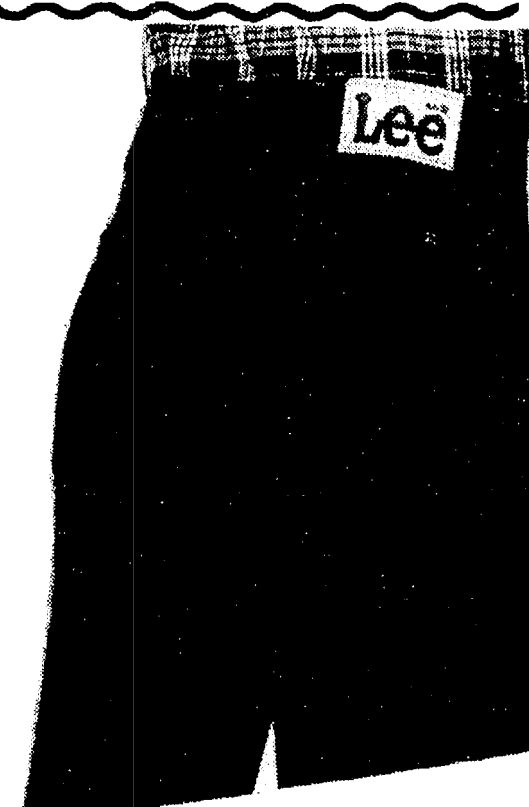
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Whitey Madsen

From Our
Corner...

Easter Sunday, 1986...what a beautiful day...temperature 65-70, nice gentle breeze to get rid of a few dirty piled up snow banks and we will go right into our couple weeks of summer as usual...

For all you snow birds that may be still lingering in the south and west, pack your bags, you can start heading home...all you will have to do is clean up your winter lawns and get ready to mow if you are not on the golf course...us stalwarts who have to weather the winter don't mind it, all we do is put the shovel away and get out the lawn mower and wonder where winter went...

Don't get me wrong...there for quite a while I thought we had winter for the whole 12 months...I could hardly remember what last summer was like...

Sorry, but this is looking like one more of our drab columns...maybe it is because we caught spring fever coming down to the office...so we will try to put something together with bits and pieces...some, I know you won't understand but, don't feel bad, a lot I don't understand, and I'm supposed to give you something to read, like they say, a pause that refreshes...I doubt if this week's turkey will do that for you...

Sorry, Nancy, we forgot the quotes "..." nice to have associate editors like yourself and Moe...the only difference between the two of you is that Moe requests the first page of the snowslide...all you request is photos to accompany your article, and quotes "..." that is easier than Moe's request...

In the March 20th issue of the Avalanche we mentioned in our turkey that we had received word from Charlie "Laddie" Decker out in Oklahoma...this past week we found out we had one more reader...Katie (Peterson) Lewis down in Royal Oak way...Katie grew up here in Grayling and in fact was one of Thelma's good friends through school...Katie starts her note "I'm mixed up!"

So, with that we will try to unmix you Katie, and hope our newcomers to Grayling will bide their time...

You are right Katie about a Charles Decker working with your father, Clyde, at Alfred Hanson's garage, and I think his son's name was Chuck also...now this is where I'm not too sure but, I think Frank Decker was a brother to Charles and he was the one that had the taxi in town, and it was Frank's son Laddie who wrote the letter to me...

The confusion on your part is that you were also thinking about the Deckrows who lived here at that time...Johnnie and Hurl Deckrow were brothers, Johnnie was the architect of the many beautiful ice thrones that were built for the winter sports park...Hurl was a plumber here in Grayling...it was Johnnie's son Theon who was killed early in WWII...

There, I saved myself a 22 cent stamp...

We were asked Sunday while having brunch at the hotel what I thought the outcome of the no-kill ruling would be...

To us the hope lies in the court's hands once the injunction is served...it is almost apparent that the governor is not going to get involved...and we have been told that our senators and representatives don't hold enough water for a wet duck...

All the opposition to the no-kill ruling can hope for is that a judge will look at the 60 to 40 percent differential against no-kill is enough to put the NRC ruling on hold...

If the courts uphold the NRC rulings, in our opinion, they had better find themselves a few Rube Babbitts to patrol the river...

One more hassle over a river that we were told some 10-15 years ago was too warm for the trout to survive?

I hope the judge that hears the injunction is from MSU...60 to 40 is much better than 2 points and the clock not working...

With that it is goodnight to T.J., Stefany and Amber...we'll see you soon, and to all have a nice weekend...

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Interesting Events In
Grayling 23 Years AgoINTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM
THE FILES OF THE AVAANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO23 Years Ago
April 4, 1963

The Dr. Ralph Steffe family of Flint enjoyed the spring weather at their home down river, over the weekend.

Dr. Carl Rasak of Detroit and Lake Margrethe was in Grayling on business last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Nebel of Marquette were overnight guests of his sister and family, the Joseph Stripes, Tuesday of last week. They were on their way home after a two-month stay in Arizona.

The Harvey Rowlands and daughter Janet spent Monday to Wednesday of last week between Lansing, where they visited the Edward Martin family, and Grand Rapids, for check-ups for Janet. They also visited Mrs. Fred Thies and family in Grand Ledge.

The Jack Bindschatels of Grayling have twin sons born April 2nd, weighing 6 lbs. 5 1/4 ozs. and 3 lbs. 6 1/2 ozs. The boys' grandparents are the George Bindschatels of Frederic and the Clarence Shermans of Grayling.

The Ward Ellisons and Ward, Jr., and Mr. and Mrs. Dick DuBois and Steve attended the basketball semi-finals and finals in Lansing March 22nd and 23rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Bud Caid and family of Houghton Lake spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Ruth Caid.

By a better than 2 to 1 majority, electors of the Grayling School District voted Monday to borrow \$785,000 to build a new elementary school building and to complete a much needed remodeling and refurbishing program in the present building.

In their annual game last Tuesday night, the Grayling High faculty took over the Varsity Club's team in a basketball game by a 41 to 37 score. Don Ferguson with 13 points and Sandy Thompson with 10 were both in the double figures for the teachers. Albert Westervelt added 5 points, Leo Lovely and Fraser Dean 4 points each and Art Thayer and Kip Papendick 2 points each. Gary Lucksted with 18 points was high for the Varsity Club on an 8 and 2. Jack Harney and Jim Johnson added 6 points each, Mickey Stillwagon 4 and Dan Tinker 3. Proceeds from the game will be used to take the members of the varsity club on a day's outing some time this summer. The teachers had the support of LeRoy Akers but he did not get into the contest.

46 Years Ago
April 4, 1940

Mrs. Leona Papendick was very pleasantly surprised Friday afternoon when several of her friends dropped in, in a group, to extend congratulations as that day was her birthday anniversary. Three tables of pinocle were in play during the afternoon with honor scores going to Mrs. Richard Lovely, Mrs. Leo Jorgenson and Mrs. Ernest Bissonette. A very nice potluck lunch was served.

George Barber left for Big Bay Sunday morning where he was sent by the Kerry and Hanson company to work in their mill there.

Miss Fern Akers has returned home after spending several weeks visiting her brother

Donald Akers and family in Harrisville.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bousson spent Sunday in West Branch visiting the latter's son and family, the Frank Tetus. The occasion was to celebrate Mrs. Tetu and her little daughter Monica's birthdays that fall a few days apart.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Andrews are happy over the arrival of an eight pound son, Larry Charles, born Saturday morning at the home of Mrs. Andrews' mother, Mrs. Matilda Nelson. There are two sons and a daughter in the family now.

Not until the year 2,380 will there be another such early Easter, a Michigan editor has discovered. Easter came the earliest this year of any time since 1799, on March 24. Easter comes the first Sunday after the first full moon following March 20. So March 20 is the earliest it possibly could be.

Mr. and Mrs. Holger D. Hanson and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sorenson, who have been spending the winter in Houston, Texas, are on their way home and are expected to arrive any day now. We hear that "Dad" became a golf enthusiast while in Texas so he probably will be seen on the local course a lot this summer.

69 Years Ago
April 5, 1917

Einer Rasmussen has accepted a position at the Salling Hanson Company planing mill as foreman.

Mrs. Marion Tompkins of the Upper Peninsula is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Jerry Sherman.

Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Michelson returned Wednesday from a three months' sojourn in California and other places in the west.

Mrs. Frank Mack left Saturday to visit her daughter Mrs. Walter C. Nelson of Johannesburg for a few days.

Miss Odie Sheehy returned Saturday from a three weeks' visit with Miss Irene LaSprance in Bay City.

A ten pound son arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hanson of Spruce Street Monday, April 2nd.

Teddy Callahan has the highest average on examinations in the sixth grade at the Frederic School; Maggie Gendron in the fifth and Ivan Cameron in the fourth.

Mrs. Rolla Hull went to West Branch Monday to pick up their household goods preparatory to moving to Grayling. Mr. Hull is employed at the DuPont plant, and the young couple will occupy the house recently vacated by Andrew Larson.

Andrew Cholo moved to his farm Thursday, which he recently purchased from R. Gile of Beaver Creek.

I.R. Gile expects to leave for their new home in Pontiac, Mich., Monday, where he is employed in road construction.

Receives
Promotion

Marine Lance Cpl. Joseph P. Sopsack, son of Paul L. and Sharon L. Sopsack of 11378 Steckert Branch Rd., Roscommon, has been promoted to his present rank while serving with 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, Ca.

A 1984 graduate of Gerrish Higgins High School, he joined the Marine Corps in June 1984.

The Bible Speaks

From Calvary Baptist Church

NICARAGUAN
NIGHTMARE

Just a few days ago, in a UPI release from Washington, 167 religious leaders of the ecumenical movement issued their sharpest criticism of President Reagan over his support of the Contras in Nicaragua. They accused him of disseminating "misinformation and outright falsehood." They said, "Exaggeration, misinformation and outright falsehood form the heart of the Reagan administration's case against Nicaragua. Many of you saw on television their nationwide campaign of 'Crosses of Sorrow and Hope,' sponsored by Witness for Peace. They said, 'We in the religious community feel compelled to speak out now about Nicaragua before many more lives are lost. We refuse to allow the deception to go unchallenged or to accept the senseless violence that is deception's companion.'"

Recently on ABC news House Speaker Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill gave some religious reasons why he is passionately against aid to the Nicaraguan contras. O'Neill, a devout Catholic, is being misled by counsel from the Maryknoll Order. O'Neill said, "When they come in to see me, they are women of the cloth, people, of God...They are not going to mislead me." Last year O'Neill said, "We've followed the (Maryknoll) order all our life...When they come

and talk to me, I have complete trust."

The political action arm of the Maryknoll Order has praised the foreign policy of Castro's Cuba. They have supported Communist guerrillas in El Salvador and in the Philippines. They now support the Sandinista government in Nicaragua. The Sandinista foreign minister Miguel d'Escoto is a Maryknoll priest. He has said, "Marxism is one of the greatest blessings on the church."

Karl Marx once told a news reporter that he had two goals. First, to dethrone God, and second to destroy capitalism. International communism is failing. The end time political/economic system of Revelation 18 will be a communist/capitalist synthesis, formed by the religious leadership of Revelation 17.

Liberals cry that "The Contras are not freedom fighters." But what choice do we have? Contras fight communists. Communists are the primary enemy in Central America today.

If recent events in Honduras do not awaken Americans, what will it take? Mexico? Texas? California? Michigan? Grayling? Your own family and freedom?

Pastor "B"

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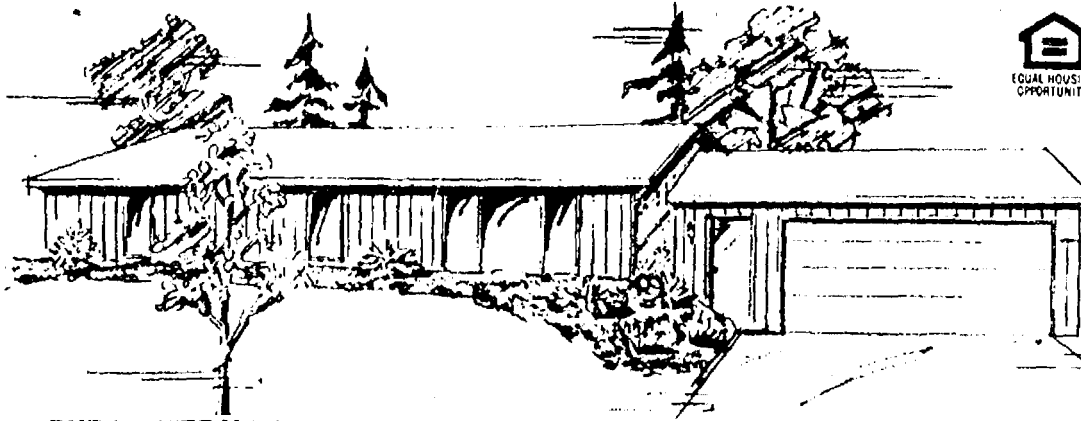
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SPRING IS COMING! Come in and see what St. Francis Thrift Shop has to offer. We have the best prices in town including our on-going bag sale. Open Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat. 10 to 4. -4/3/86

FOR SALE — 1976 Chevy - Good transportation, rusty \$400.00; 1972 Chevy Pickup with plow \$1200.00 or Best Offer Phone 348-9588 after 4:00. -27-3-

PRIME COMMERCIAL SPACE For Lease - 700 sq. ft. in the Mercantile Mall. Call Gillis Properties, 348-3253. -27-3-10-

TLC "DOG GROOMING" ALL TYPES GROOMED. EVENING APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE. 348-5959 GRAYLING

HAS MOVED Take M-72 East to Barker Lake Road - 1/4 mile on left hand side - Watch for Sign. -1/18/86

FOR SALE — on Lake Margarethe 2 Bedroom Home, wood heat & cathedral ceiling, \$55,000. 9.5% Land Contract terms, 348-8267 after 5:00. -3-

OWNER MUST SELL! 2 Bedroom year round home. M-72 West near Lake Margarethe. Gas heat, plus fireplace insert, well insulated. Quite secluded area. A-1 condition, \$25,500.00 - land contract considered, 348-2556. -3-10-17-24-

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STEAMER

CARPET AND UPHOLSTERY CLEANER

FOR SALE — Chest type 18 ft. Gibson Freezer - \$185.00. Phone 348-8060. -27-3-

FOR RENT — 2 bedroom mobile home, forced air wood heat, \$250.00 month. Call 348-5516. -3/27/86

15 USED ATV'S & CYCLES

GOOD SELECTION

SALE PRICES

Terry's Sport Center

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HELP WANTED — Looking for Cook, Waitress and Housekeeper. Part-time Positions at Gates Ausable Lodge. Call 348-5192 or 348-8462. -3-10-

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Do you have a desire to earn \$500.00/\$1,000.00 per week?

If you have a proven track record in land sales, insurance, home improvement or other direct sales background then call

517-732-1785

-3-10-17-24-

FOR SALE — Freezer Pork - Whole or Half, Call 348-5187 evenings. -3-

FOR SALE - MANURE — Order now for the spring. Delivered as soon as weather permits. To order, call 348-5187 evenings. -3-

GREAT THINGS are happening at the St. Francis Thrift Shop. Come in and see what Mary and her helpers are doing. We are open Wed., Thurs., Fri. and Sat. 10:00-4:00. 2/20/86

LOTTO & DAILY 3 NOW HERE

Ole Dam Party Store

-7/8/86-

DON'T WAIT till summer when you will want to enjoy your time. Have those repairs, big or small done this spring. Call RB's Home Maintenance Repair, 348-8561. Free Estimates. -3/27/86-

EXCELLENT INCOME for Part Time Home Assembly work. For info. call 312-741-8400 Ext. 100. -3-

AUCTION TIME IS HERE!!!

Book Your Auction with

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Or if you prefer, we will buy your inventory. 5/29 L/R

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Country living minutes from Grayling! 1200 sq. ft. ranch on 2.5 acres, 3 bedroom or 2 bedroom and den, full bath with 2 sinks, large kitchen, washer & dryer hookup, heats nicely with wood, 3 car garage, greenhouse & large garden, 5 miles south of Grayling (away from National Guard Reserve & ranges), state land 2 sides, neat & clean! \$45,000. See at 4590 Five Mile Rd. (east of x-way off of Old 27).

Call 517 348-8226 or 348-9195. -3-

BINGO

SUNDAY

7 P.M. - 11 P.M.

GRAYLING MOOSE LODGE

SUNDAY

2:30-6:30 p.m.

Luzerne Northwoods Club

Luzerne, Michigan

MONDAY

American Legion Post 162

6:30 p.m.

Luzerne

TUESDAY

7:00 P.M.

GRAYLING BOOSTER CLUB

2121 Industrial Dr. GRAYLING, MICHIGAN WEEKLY JACKPOT

WEDNESDAY

7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

604 Norway St. GRAYLING, MICHIGAN

WEDNESDAY

6:30 P.M.

St. Francis of Assisi Church, Lewiston

THURSDAY AMERICAN LEGION HALL

Post 106

7:00 p.m.

GRAYLING

FRIDAY 7 P.M.

GRAYLING EAGLES CLUB

602 Huron, M-72 E

SATURDAY 1 P.M. - 5 P.M.

Luzerne American Legion

BINGO

FOR SALE — 2 Bedroom Home, attached Garage, in Karen Woods on Marshall Road. Moving - Must Sell. Immaculate House. Must see to appreciate. Stove and refrigerator included. Sacrifice at \$24,900. Call after 6 p.m. for an appointment, 348-4966. -3/27/86-

PRE-INVENTORY PIANO and Organ Sale in progress at the Music Makers of Petoskey. Save hundreds on quality Baldwins. Hurry for best selection. Ends April 30. 616/347-2826. -3-10-17-

NEEDED resident attendant afternoons part-time, Timberview Village. Please apply in person, 348-8458. -3-

LADY TO SHARE home, fully furnished, private bath, utilities paid, 348-8458. -3-10-17-

Pancake & Sausage Supper

MASONIC LODGE

April 3rd

5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC INVITED

FOR SALE — 1981 Honda Accord 4 door, front drive, 4 cyl., 5 speed, PB/PS, AM/FM stereo cassette, rear defogger, 60,000 miles, wife's car, rides and drives excellent. Nice car. \$3995. or offer, 348-8038. -3-10-

HELP WANTED — Handyman for Commission on Aging Chores Service Program. Experience in all types of service repairs (i.e. plumbing, woodworking, heavy cleaning, etc.). \$4.50 per hour, 20-25 hours per week. Call 348-8031 for more information. -3-10-

ATTENTION High School Juniors, Seniors, Recent Grads, and College Students. Get up to \$32,000 for College, if you qualify, with membership in the Michigan Army National Guard. For more information, call Sgt. McClain at 348-8719 or toll free: 1-800-292-1386. -3-10-17-24-

HELP WANTED — Volunteers to provide "T.L.C." for patients and families at Mercy Hospital, Grayling. If interested plan to attend the Volunteer Recruitment Day on Tuesday, April 15 at 10 a.m., 2 p.m. or 7 p.m. For details call Donna Plumm at 348-5461, extension 193. -3-10-

FOR RENT — Small carpeted furnished efficiency apartment suitable for 1 - Spruce Motor Lodge, downtown Roscommon. -6/26 LR

FOR SALE — 14 x 70 - 4 Bedroom Mobile Home o be moved. \$15,000.00 or make offer or might rent it out. Call 275-5003. -3-

GUITAR SALE in progress at The Music Makers of Petoskey. Save up to 50 percent during National Guitar Month Ends April 30. -3-10-17-

T.G.I.F. Dance

FRIDAY, APRIL 4th

At American Legion Hall

8:00 p.m. - 12:00 p.m.

\$3.00 per person

\$5.00 per couple

MUSIC BY "LAZOROK"

FOR SALE — Women's large and X-large clothing, 606 Ogemaw, 348-4811. -3-

FOR SALE BY OWNER — Grayling Manor 28' x 40' - 3 bedroom, 1 bath, laundry room, big lot, \$34,900. Call evenings 348-8738. -3-10-17-

SPRING IS HERE...lose those inches Now at **RAINBOW FITNESS** (100 Ottawa, Grayling) -20-27-3-

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FOR RENT — Washer & Dryer, Stove, Refrigerator included, \$275.00 per month, \$200.00 security deposit, 348-5946. -4/3/86-

FIREWOOD FOR SALE — \$60.00 pulp cord, Cut, Split & Delivered. \$45.00 pulp cord you cut & delivered. 5 pulp cord minimum. Phone 275-8516 after 6:00 p.m. -4/3/86-

FOR SALE — 1980 AMC Spirit Hatchback, 4 cyl., 4 speed, new all-season radials, looks and runs good - \$1600.00; 14' Glastron Sport boat with Evinrude 55 h.p. outboard and Sno-Co tilt trailer. Great for ski or fishing, all in very good condition - \$1400.00, 348-5469 -3-

Sales/Photography

United Church Directories is seeking a person for Sales & Photography. Earn \$20,000, a year and up, \$300 a week draw or against commission, gas allowances and bonuses in a pleasant Christian atmosphere. Send resume to Floyd Braun, P.O. Box 407, St. Mary's, Ohio 45885. -3-10-

LOOKING FOR MATURE person to do child care in our home, 5 days a week, 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. daily. Send name, address, and phone number to P.O. Box 683, Grayling, Mi. 49738. -3-

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Thurs., April 3, 1986

RUMMAGE SALE — Make an offer. Tearing the place down, everything must go. Fri., April 4th, Sat., April 5th, & Sun., April 6th, 9 to 5. Bob & Clara's Apts. 2 miles S. of Frederic on Old 27. -3-

FOR SALE — 17' Aristocrat Travel trailer, excellent condition. 1984 Yamaha 225DX 3 wheeler, lady owned, like brand new, 348-3165. -3-10-

The Avalanche — Your Want Ad Paper

Trivia Buffs!!

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

The Milltown Festival Committee is sponsoring the 2nd Very Special Trivial Pursuit Olympics on April 24, 1986. Remember all the fun with the Battle of the Wits? That first trivial pursuit contest was held to raise funds for the Depot Renovation project. This one is to raise money so Grayling can have the best and biggest Milltown Festival ever!

See again the majestic entry of Cecil B. DeStancil representing the Grayling Rotary Club and the eeriness of Dracula answering from his coffin as he represents Spike's Keg O' Nails.

Any business or organization can sponsor an entrant in this great Olympic event for only \$25. Or, the Milltown Festival Committee will help individuals who wish to flaunt their trivia knowledge find a sponsor. The Olympian may come alias anybody or anything! Questions will come from the Genius II game and Crawford County, The First 100 Years. Trophies of gold, silver, and bronze will be awarded to the winners.

Don't miss the great fun of the Very Special Trivial Pursuit Olympics. Contact Moe McNamara, Trivia Mom Ma, at 122 Michigan Ave., Grayling if you wish to enter.

Frederic News

by Eva Hulbert

Satellite dinner for Frederic and Maple Forest, April 4th at the Hobby Club across from the Town Hall. 11:30 Blood pressure, eat at noon. On the menu Pork Chops, mashed potatoes, peas, pineapple and cake, fruit juice. Program Cardo. Now that the weather is much nicer surely hope to see more out, some of our south birds are back or will be. The new bulletins are out at the Bank and Post Office, at Frederic, in Lovells at the township hall and Hardware, South Branch at the Whistle Stop, South Branch Township and Dallys Grocery Store.

Workers in Frederic will be having an April Fool's dinner Friday, April 4th starting at 5:00 p.m. at the Frederic Town Hall. Their meal will be a surprise. That's their joke on you, but you can be assured you'll be delighted with your meal. Prices are \$4.00 for adults, \$2.50 for children 6 thru 12, and children under age 5 and under will be Free.

Reminder date for April 16th Frederic Day meeting, 7 p.m. at the Town Hall.

"Dairy Queen" Has New Product


Gary and Pat McLaughlin and Mark and Marilyn Hartman, owners of the "Dairy Queen" store at 212 James in Grayling, announced today the introduction of a new product line: "Queen's Choice" premium hard ice cream.

Hard ice cream is the newest product available to members of the "Dairy Queen" system and represents an innovative departure from the system's 42-year tradition of serving soft serve products.

The McLaughlins and Hartmans are excited about the new product and its potential in the Michigan market. They anticipate it will increase business because it offers a choice to people who prefer premium quality hard ice cream.

Re-Seasoning

To re-season a cast iron utensil, coat it with unsalted fat and heat in a slow oven for one or two hours.



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NOTICE

The City of Grayling will accept bids for the purchase of the following items:

1. 1982 Chevy Impala, 4 door - Minimum bid \$2,000.00
2. 1988 Chevy Dump Truck
3. 1985 Chevy Model C3603 with aerial ladder

Bids should be in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Sealed Bid". Bids must be received at the Grayling City offices at 103 James Street, Grayling, MI 49738 prior to 5:00 p.m., April 14, 1986. The vehicles may be inspected by arrangement with the Grayling City office, 348-2131, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. thru 4:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday. The City Council reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Jerry W. Morford
City Manager

with illegal DRUGS users become losers

Gen-Tel in Major Technology Milestone at Higgins Lake

General Telephone of Michigan's Higgins Lake exchange will participate in an April 5 weekend event honoring installation of the one millionth digital customer telephone line in GTE's Midwestern Telephone Operations (MTO) area.

The state-of-the-art digital electronic switching center will serve 2,900 customers in the Higgins Lake area in North Central Michigan. It is part of a weekend switch-over in seven states to provide an additional 28,000 GTE telephone customers with the digital service.

Digital switching equipment uses highly sophisticated computers and elec-

tronic equipment to switch telephone calls as well as enhanced data services.

According to Max Preston, state vice president-general manager, the new equipment permits customers to have such features as custom calling and equal access. Custom calling services include call-waiting, three-way calling, speed calling and call forwarding.

Equal access service allows customers to use a long distance company of their choice without dialing up to 24 numbers to place calls through the service.

General Telephone of Michigan is part of GTE's Midwestern Telephone Operations. The group serves more than 3.1 million customers in the Midwestern and Great Lakes states.

"Go Fly A Kite" But Do It Safely

Prudenville - March 31, 1986 - "Go Fly A Kite," says Len Hoofman, Consumers Power Company's Northeast District Community Services Director. "But do it safely."

Spring is here and the weather is right for youngsters turning their thoughts toward the fun of kite flying. But young people should be warned by parents and school officials to remember to do so in an open area well removed from trees and another potential hazard — overhead power lines.

"Successful kite flying is no accident," says Hoofman. "Each year the majority of kite flying accidents occur when a child tries to untangle a kite from a tree or power line. To avoid an accident and the serious injuries it could bring, children and parents should be aware of

these basic safety rules," Hoofman says.

1. Fly your kite in an open area, away from electrical lines, trees and busy streets.

2. Never climb utility poles, trees or broadcasting towers in pursuit of a snagged kite. Electric current from power lines can travel through metallic materials or moisture and cause severe burns.

3. Use wood, paper or plastic in making your kite, not wire or metal. Avoid using any materials that could conduct electricity.

4. Don't try to repeat Benjamin Franklin's experiment by flying your kite in the rain. Lightning can cause injury much more severe than the minor shock Franklin experienced.

5. If a kite gets caught on an electric line, call the utility company for help. Never pull on an electric line.

6. If a power line falls, stand clear. Never touch downed power lines. Instead call the utility.

Consumers Power offers films on electrical safety for use by local schools. The 16 mm films "Overhead Lines - A Matter of Respect," and "Electrical Safety from A to Z" may be ordered by contacting Consumers Power's Educational Services Program at 212 W. Michigan Ave., Jackson, MI. 49201, or by calling (517) 788-1867.

"Remember, look up and stay clear of power lines to be safe," Hoofman says. Consumers Power, Michigan's largest utility, serves nearly six million of the State's nine million people in 67 of 68 lower peninsula counties.

COA News

It's tax time - and the April 15th deadline is drawing near. COA has the help available if you need assistance in filing your Homestead, Home Heating or rent tax credits. Call 348-8031, or stop by the COA office, 308 Lawrence Drive anytime Monday thru Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Coming Attractions
"Goodbye Snow" Dance, April 14th, 5:30 p.m. (Steve Dunckley's 1-man band).

"The House That Love Bought", April 15th, 5:30 p.m. A movie presentation about the Ronald McDonald House.

Potluck Dinner, April 20th, 4:00 p.m.; bring a dish to pass, meat is furnished.

Organ concert, featuring JoEllen Schartz, April 22nd, 5:30 p.m.

Menu and Activities
April 7th thru 11th
Mon.- 3:30-Songbirds, 5:00-Dinner (Meatballs).

Tues.- 10:00-Exercise, 1:00-Bowling, 1:00-RSVP Cards, 1:00-Flower Arranging, 5:00-Dinner (Lasagna), 5:30-"Diamonds Can Be a Girl's Best Friend" w/Jim Shepler.

Wed.- 10:00-Quilting, 1:00-Stag Party, 1:30-Swimercise, By Appt.-Vial of Life, 5:00-Dinner, (Veal Parmiliana).

Thurs.- 10:00-Exercise, 12:30-Blood Pressure, 1:00-Discount Cards, 3:00-Kitchen Band, 5:00-Dinner (Beef Tips), 5:30-COA meeting.

Fri.- 11:30-South Branch Satellite, 12:00 Noon-Dinner (Salsbury Steak), 2:00-Rudyard Choral, public is invited to come and listen.

WPHN Sponsors College Day '86

"College Day '86" is a prime time for high school juniors, those seniors who have not made a decision regarding higher education, and parents to talk with representatives of twelve Christian colleges and universities from a four-state area.

Getting underway at 9:30 a.m., Saturday, April 12th and concluding by 4 p.m. that same afternoon this first-time event for northern Michigan will provide a resource for all students interested in Christian higher education. The various school representatives will be able to answer questions regarding admissions, tuition costs, financial aid, housing, courses of study available, and just about any other area of interest a potential student might have. Bringing a wide variety of Christian schools together under one roof will also allow potential students to see a broader perspective of the availabilities of Christian education.

Following a scheduled noon lunch break, a seminar titled "How to Choose a College" will take place, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Those coming to "College Day '86" are invited to take part in this seminar.

"College Day '86" is being held at the Gaylord Holiday Inn which is located just off I-75 exit 282 in Gaylord. Signs in the lobby of the motel will direct you to the proper conference room.

Light refreshments will be served throughout the day. Those coming at the noon hour will find a number of restaurants in the immediate area. We hope to see you there. If you have any questions, please call the WPHN studios at 517/732-6274.

Blts by Fay

The Robert and Eileen Chappell home was a busy one weekend before last when their family came home to celebrate some birthdays. Visiting were their children, Judy and Gary Lenn, Kim and Andy of Harper Woods, Cindy and Jim Knibbs, Natalie and Andrea of Petoskey, Valerie and Ken Jones, Darryl and Debbie of Grayling. Also there for the birthday celebration of Andrea Knibbs, were his mother, Ruby Reetz and a friend of Debbie's, Tossha Millikin.

Mel and Shirley Luter, Michelle and Mike, of Fort Wayne, Indiana, were in Grayling over the Easter holiday visiting her family.

Judy Sorenson of Saginaw was home for Easter with her parents, Bud and Clara Sorenson.

Richard and Jill Boyd and friends of Schwartz Creek were weekend guests of her father, Evert Jones.

Bob and Nancy McLachlan, Jon and Jeff, have returned from a ten-day vacation to Florida where they visited her father and wife, Elmer and Tressa Fenton in Dade City, and his parents, the A.D. McLachlans in Lakeland.

Bob and Susan McCurdy spent several days in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on business with the J.C. Penney Company.

The McCurdys were hosts to her family, the Bourries, with 15 people for Easter Sunday dinner.

Mrs. Johanna Jurkovich and baby son, Joshua, spent ten days in March in the Netherlands. She went to attend her sister's wedding and to visit her mother, Anne Winterink in Burnsum.

Mrs. Bernie Dosch was in Bowie, Maryland on March 14, 15, and 16, where she took part in the Folk Art Fair at the Bowie Racetrack Grandstand. She sold baskets and demonstrated basket-making. Enroute, she visited her father-in-law, Francis Dosch and other members of the Dosch family in Zanesville, Ohio. On Easter Sunday, most of Bernie's children were in Zanesville where they went to help their grandfather celebrate his 80th birthday which fell on March 31.

Joel and Pam Cox and Alexa of Traverse City spent Easter with his parents, Bill and Nancy Cox.

District Court

Russell Ingersoll, 19, of Grayling, was bound over to circuit court on a charge of breaking and entering an unoccupied building with intent to commit larceny. A \$5,000 personal bond was set.

Ina Churches, 48, of Frederic, demanded preliminary examination to charges of welfare fraud of more than \$500, failure to inform involving more than \$500, and perjury. A \$5,000 personal bond was set.

Russell VanCamp, 20, of Livonia, demanded preliminary examination to a charge of carrying a concealed weapon. A \$2,500 personal bond was set.

David Hagle, 29, of Grayling, plead guilty to a charge of larceny less than \$100 and was fined \$105 or 10 days. He was cited Dec. 16 by police after a citizen complaint.

Roy Dutton, 49, of Frederic, plead guilty to a charge of larceny less than \$100 and was fined \$105 or 5 days. An original charge of larceny in a building was amended to the above charge by motion of the prosecutor. He was cited Oct. 29 after a citizen complaint.

Ray Pelton, 31, of Roscommon, plead guilty to a charge of O.U.I.L. - 2nd offense and was fined \$355 or 30 days and given one year of probation with the first 10 days and last 35 days in the county jail. His license is revoked. He was cited May 9 1985 by city police.

Christopher Lamora, 28, of Grand Rapids, plead guilty to a charge of impaired driving and was fined \$305 or 30 days plus his license is restricted for 90 days. He was cited Dec. 1 by the sheriff dept.

Copper Stains

Copper in water causes greenish stains on porcelain. Try washing them away with soapsuds containing ammonia.

COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE Michigan State University

Spring Fever

by Gail Edwards,
Extension Home Economist

Sometimes it seems we just get over the winter doldrums only to find ourselves hit with a hard case of spring fever. Victims of spring fever — which is closely related to cabin fever — want more than anything to be outdoors. Not only do we feel that the walls are closing in, but we also begin to feel restless and edgy. We don't want to be at work, school or home. We're sick of our winter clothes. Coats and boots are getting heavier and bulkier every day. We want to walk outdoors wearing light clothing. Is there a cure?

The only real cure for spring fever is spring itself. But there are some steps we can take to relieve the symptoms.

• Gather together all your seed catalogs and seriously plan your flower and vegetable garden. Place the seed order.

• Give in to the temptation

to buy a bunch of daisies or daffodils. Or force some bulbs to flower indoors.

• Get your spring clothes out and figure out what you'll need. You may want to buy one of the items now.

• Get out in the yard and examine both the house and yard for signs of winter damage and plan the repairs you will have to make.

• Children get spring fever, too. On a mild day, dress them up in boots and rain gear and let them play in the mud and romp in the yard.

• Sprout seeds in the home, for planting later. Or let the children grow gardens from groceries such as sweet potatoes or avocados. And remember spring is not too far away.

Ketchup Flow

If the ketchup won't come out, put a drinking straw into the bottle, pushing it to the bottom. Then remove the straw. Enough air will have been admitted to start an even flow.

England's Table

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Plan your next meeting, dinner party or any other special occasion with us!

THANK YOU

Now that the busy winter is over, the management at Hanson Hills would like to take a moment to thank the many people that have made the 1985-86 ski season a huge success.

First a thanks to all the members (up 130%) and skiers who used and enjoyed the facilities during the winter months. It was a long winter and local skiers took advantage of this as evident by the fact that over 10,000 lift tickets were issued.

A thank you also to area businesses and individuals that supported Hanson Hills events through donations and merchandise. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Hats off also to the Hanson Hills Ski Patrol that did a wonderful job and put in long hours - all on a volunteer basis. Their ability to control the slopes and expertise in medical emergencies made skiing an enjoyable experience at Hanson Hills.

Also a note of thanks to the Department of Social Service workers and the Camp Shawono work crews that helped keep the park in good operational condition.

With the generosity and help of so many people and businesses from Crawford County, Hanson Hills enjoyed one of its finest winters and will continue to improve and expand to better serve the citizens of this area.

Come out and enjoy the park this summer. Hanson Hills offers a nice picnic area, children's playground, ballfields, hiking trails, basketball, as well as paddle boats on the pond. Watch the Avalanche for further developments and summer events at your park.

Rialto Theatre

GRAYLING, MICH. — 348-5848

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Baseball Takes Sound Step

by Richard Millman

AMERICA'S NATIONAL pastime — the game of baseball — has finally taken a long-awaited and sound step in combatting the use of drugs among the players.

Commissioner Peter Ueberroth put together a combination of conditional suspensions, forced contributions to drug programs, random drug testing, and community service for 11 different players, involved in the past in one way or another with drug usage.

Among other things, the players could donate a percentage of their salaries to a drug prevention program to escape suspension. With the size of many players' salaries these days, that's a lot of money going to drug prevention — or, as an alternative, a lot of money down the drain in lost wages.

All the players finally accepted the Ueberroth sentence, some more reluctantly than others. Some talked boldly of legal tests of the commissioner's right to do what he did — but such threats have faded away as spring approaches.

UEBERROTH HAS found general endorsement for his actions, even among the players. The public generally agrees — measured by "man in the street" type published interviews, or letters-to-the-editor response. Negative reaction has come from some players, and from observers who question potential violation of the players' civil rights.

Personally, I think it's been a long time in coming. As the story of drug use unfolded in a Pittsburgh courtroom last year, it became a bit embarrassing for this lifelong baseball fan.

I was especially shocked at the fan reaction to New York Met star Keith Hernandez, in his first home appearance after admitting his own use of drugs. Hernandez received a standing ovation from Mets fans.

A COUPLE of player reactions quoted in the newspapers illustrate a key point. Two of the players covered by the Ueberroth ruling were Mr. Hernandez and Rod Scurry, New York Yankee pitcher.

For his part, Mr. Scurry lauded the Ueberroth decision.

"He's doing the best he can to stop the problem and he's got to start somewhere," Mr. Scurry said. "You know this is something that's a problem in general, not just baseball. But we're in the public eye and little kids look up to us. And you don't want to look up to someone who uses drugs."

Mr. Hernandez had a bit different approach. At well over \$1 million a year, Hernandez is one of baseball's top earners.

"My reaction to the commissioner's decision is that I have been incorrectly categorized as one who facilitated cocaine use," he said. "The facts, I feel, do not justify this position. I admitted I used cocaine, but I never dealt in it or sold it. The only person I hurt was myself."

OBVIOUSLY, MR. SCURRY and Mr. Hernandez approach their baseball jobs in quite different ways.

If Mr. Hernandez is correct — that the only person hurt was the star — then Mr. Scurry's concern for the adoration of youngsters for baseball players is completely misplaced.

The facts, in my view, favor the Scurry approach and not the Hernandez approach. Once a sports performer takes the field, he/she becomes public property, and the performer loses some of the personal protections those in private life enjoy. There's no law that ordains this situation; that's just the way it is.

Hernandez and other stars owe it to their public to be above reproach. When they're not, they hurt others — despite what they may wish. Performers in the public sports arena are not private persons anymore. They're public figures. They have responsibilities that go beyond performance. Unfortunately, many don't seem to realize it.

THERE'S ANOTHER view about drug use by athletes, expressed by Los Angeles Dodger Manager Tom Lasorda, who has little sympathy for drug users.

"They say it is a sickness," Lasorda said. "You can't tell me that. It's a weakness, not a sickness. Leukemia is a sickness. Diabetes is a sickness. How can using drugs be a sickness when it's something they're putting into their own bodies? They're not sick. They're weak." Could be Lasorda's right.



FIRST PLACE — The members of the GHS Forensics Team with their 1st place trophy from the Manistee High School Invitational. Medal Winners at Manistee H.S.: L-R: Kathy Allen, Donn Broeker, Jeff Martinez, Stephanie Hindmarsh, Lori Dean, Kim McDonough, Erin Hickey, Amy Smith.

The Grayling High School Individual Speech Events Team won its first team trophy ever at invitational competition on Saturday, March 15, at the Manistee High School Tournament. GHS took first place honors in a field of 14 schools, with outstanding performances by eight team members:

Amy Smith (Jr.) placed 1st and Stephanie Hindmarsh (Sr.) placed 2nd in Dramatic Interpretation. Contestants in this category are required to perform, with manuscript or by memory, a 5-8 minute selection from any area of dramatic literature.

The Duo Interpretation team of Kathy Allen and Jeff Martinez (both Srs.) placed 3rd, and the Duo Interpretation 9-10 team of Donn Broeker and Lori Dean (both 9th graders) placed 1st.

Kim McDonough (Jr.) won the 1st place medal in Extemporaneous Speaking, and Erin Hickey (Jr.) won 1st in Storytelling.

Also competing for the Vikings were: Fred Fisher (Jr.) and Dennis Mansfield (Sr.), Humorous Interpretation; Karl Schmidt (Jr.),

Bob Golinick on

MML Board

Rochester Councilman Thomas L. Werth was elected vice president of the Michigan Municipal League at the February meeting of the League board of trustees. The board also named two new trustees, Tecumseh Mayor Harold Easton and Grayling Mayor Pro Tem. Robert B. Golinick, to fill board vacancies.

Councilman Golinick was elected to a League board term ending in September of 1986. He is vice chairperson of Regions VIII and IX and a past chairperson of those regions.

Councilman Golinick was elected to the Grayling City Council in 1967 and was named mayor pro tem. in 1974. He was a member of the Grayling Volunteer Fire Department for 22 years and serves on the Grayling Housing Commission.

The Michigan Municipal League unites more than 485 member cities and villages throughout Michigan to work cooperatively to improve the administration of municipal government. Grand Haven Mayor Marjorie A. Boon is president of the statewide association.

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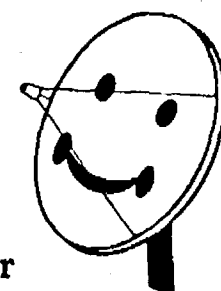
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Divestiture of pension fund investments in South Africa-related companies should be weighted toward the end of a five- or seven-year period, rather than in equal yearly installments, and the general fund should guarantee any losses, Governor James J. Blanchard's Commission on South African Divestiture reported.

The commission, asked in October to make a report in 30 days, also included in its final report a third option favored by one member to only divest investments in companies so adhering to the highest levels of the Sullivan principles against apartheid.

Blanchard will probably favor a five-year phased divestiture, Treasurer Robert Bowman commission chairman, said, even though costs of a seven-year plan are lower.

But, he said a five-year plan would make a stronger statement against the apartheid system. The governor's 10-point anti-apartheid policy announced in August — two involving divestiture — did not make allowances for companies signing the Sullivan principles.

Bowman said, however, that rather than make a specific recommendation, the governor would "Try to get a sense of where the Senate is and try to make some kind of an accommodation."

The Senate Economic Development, Trade and Tourism Committee has under consideration House-passed bills for a five-year divestiture.

Total divestiture at this time would affect about \$3.3 billion in 35 companies, of the 75 company stocks held by the five pension systems.

A Sullivan principle-based divestiture would omit 13-15 of those, Bowman said.

Consultants hired by the commission estimated divestiture costs would be \$23 million over a five-year period or \$18.4 million over seven years, but Mr. Bowman said that analysis is outdated because of the "highly-volatile" stock market.

He said the value of all pension fund investments has grown by \$1 billion since last fall's portfolio which was the basis of the estimate. The commission recommended any costs be covered first from investment gains due to divestiture and

then from general state funds. It urged an annual review of actual costs.

The commission recommended "back-weighted" divestiture where, for instance, 10 percent of the divestment would occur the first year, increasing each year until the last 30 percent would be divested in the fifth year.

Bowman said that would permit companies headquartered or providing substantial employment in Michigan to be examined from divestiture until the latter stages, and permit dismantling the policy without divesting large portions of stock if apartheid is dismantled or companies remove facilities. And, he said costs would be lower in the initial years.

Michigan Manufacturers Association President John Thodis, an opponent of divestiture, insisted on the Sullivan-based divestiture policy alternative and did not support the five- or seven-year options.

The Sullivan exemption would drop losses to about \$2.7 million, he said, minimizing the impact to pensioners and taxpayers.

"The Sullivan principles and the companies supporting them are in the forefront of efforts to end the system of apartheid," he said, adding continued support of those companies will contribute more to ending the system than would divestiture.

Eight other anti-apartheid policies of the governor are either in place or will be very quickly, Bowman said.

They include such things as ceasing to do business with financial institutions dealing in Krugerrand gold coins and using common stock voting rights to press for withdrawal of companies from South Africa.

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Harbinger Dance Co. To Appear at Kirtland

Kirtland Community College's Performing Artist Series with the Crawford County Arts Council and the Roscommon Chamber Music Society/Arts Council will present the Harbinger Dance Company on Saturday, April 19, at 8 p.m. in the Gilbert I. Stewart Auditorium.

Artistic Director Lisa Nowak founded the Harbinger Dance Company in 1970. She studied modern dance, ballet, and dance composition at the Juillard School of Music. Her post-graduate work includes studies at Sarah Lawrence College, the Martha Graham

School, and the American Ballet Center. Ms. Nowak also studied in Poland and taught contemporary dance. She created several works there, two of which were presented as part of an international jazz festival in Warsaw.

In Harbinger, Ms. Nowak combines the lyrical movement of classical ballet with the exciting shapes and dynamic rhythms of modern dance, which provides a performance with an original style, and a refreshing form.

Douglas Purcell, KCC Cultural Events Coordinator stated, "A particular highlight of the evening will be the introduction and brief commentary on the dances by Ms. Nowak. It will be a perfect time to experience live dance for the first time."

Tickets for Harbinger Dance Company are available at Roscommon Hardware, Higgins Lake True Value Hardware, Flowers by Josie in Grayling, Kirtland Community College Bookstore, and the Houghton Lake Chamber of Commerce. For more information call Kirtland Community College at 275-5121.

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Doodles From The Tall Timber

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Park Interpreter

The snow gauge in the front yard here at the headquarters reads nine inches, and the hillside across the way has a few small bare spots showing through the white mantle which has covered the ground since November. The fleeting time I call spring is rapidly approaching. As I have said before true spring is very short despite what the calendar says.

I know there is frost in the ground where we have walked and driven all winter, but in other areas the soil absorbs the water from the melting snow like an endless sponge. Out in the front yard there is a gopher hole which must lead to a chamber where a Thirteen-Lined-Spermophile is still hibernating. The state of hibernation is fascinating, but so is the gopher's ability to select a dry spot in which to sleep out the time until the snow is gone.

During hibernation the gopher's heart beat plummets to five per minute and its temperature to thirty-five degrees or so. These figures are impressive when you consider that its normal heartbeat rate is two hundred to three hundred fifty per minute and its temperature is eighty-six to ninety-five degrees. During the course of hibernation the gopher may lose a third of its body weight. According to one source I have soil temperature does not control hibernation, so I am not sure what the wake up cue is. Maybe it is a drop of water right in the middle of a dream about succulent quack grass roots.

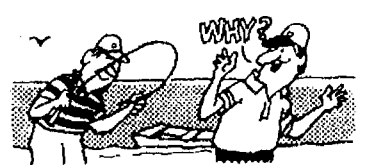
Detroit Symphony at Gaylord

The Gaylord Area Council for the Arts has announced the repertoire to be performed by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra at its April 8th, 7:00 p.m. performance at the Cathedral of St. Mary in Gaylord.

Mozart's "Overture to The Impresario, K. 486," "Serenade for Strings, C Major, Op. 48," by Tchaikovsky, "The Unanswered Question" by Ives and Beethoven's "Symphony No. 4 in B-flat, Op. 60." There will be a short intermission between the Tchaikovsky and Ives works.

Tickets are \$7 Adult, \$5 Student, and may be purchased through the Gaylord Area Council for the Arts at P.O. Box 249, Gaylord, MI 49735, (517) 732-3242. Tickets will be on sale in the Parish Hall of the Cathedral prior to the concert. The doors will be opened at 6:15 p.m.

The concert will be followed by a reception at Hidden Valley Resort for the orchestra and audience.



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Gus: "I'd rather kiss my wife than eat."
Russ: "Why? Is she that attractive?"
Gus: "No—because she's such a rotten cook."

Arts Council To Present "Showcase"



SHOWCASE — Peggy Emerick and Elementary School Choir. Kay Matthews at the piano and Betty Bennett below.



Showcase is coming! The Crawford County Arts Council is so impressed by all the talented people we have living in the Grayling area, that it wants you to see a few of them perform. So, on Sunday, April 13, at 4:00 p.m., in the main dining room of Chief Shoppenagons Hotel, the CCAC will present Showcase, a collection of acts by local performers in a variety of areas.

Host for the afternoon is Betty Bennett, a local resident since 1973, who brings a wealth of public speaking experience to her role. As past president of several organizations, including the Educational Secretaries Association, American Business Women's Association, and Grayling Promotional Association, she has chaired many meetings and spoken often in public.

In June, Ms. Bennett will narrate the Creative Dance Academy Recital for the fourth year, an opportunity she looks forward to annually.

Opening the afternoon's performance will be the Elementary Choir, directed by Peggy Emerick, elementary music instructor for the Crawford AuSable School District. The 60-member choir is comprised of 4th and 5th graders from both elementary schools, who are chosen from approximately 200 applicants through auditions, and who are expected to maintain their grades and be on their best behavior in order to participate.

The choir, in its third year, averages about five public performances annually, at which they sing a variety of music, including classical, popular, patriotic, and country. The students practice in their own school for 20 minutes a week, and meet together for 40 minutes. Accompanist Janet Dice or substitute accompanist D.J. Taylor practice and travel with the group.

Ms. Emerick received her B.S. in vocal music education from Eastern Michigan University, and has taught for the Crawford AuSable School District for 10 years. She is a member of the Michelson Memorial Methodist Church Choir and directs the newly formed Community Chorale.

"I've had a wonderful time with the choir," states Peggy. "I love teaching them. They're so nice to listen to and so enthusiastic."

Kay Matthews will entertain the audience at Showcase with songs and piano music which illustrate that, in spite of the "older generation's" protests that only today's lyrics are hard to decipher, there were some pretty humorous lyrics in the "good old music" that we supposedly could understand."

Ms. Matthews, a resident of Grayling since 1984, has

been playing the piano by ear since age 12. She learned by watching people at church and it clicked. "I figured out chording and what they were doing."

As a former elementary teacher, Kay used to teach her students music. Today, she performs at the Free Methodist Church and directs the children's choir there. "I play by ear," she explains. "It's a gift from God. I can't take the credit for it."

Don't miss these three talented women and the

other performers on April 13, when the CCAC presents Showcase. Seating is limited, so buy tickets (\$2.00) early, from some Arts Council members and at the Hotel lobby desk.

Shoppenagons' Sunday fare will still be available to diners, before, during, and after Showcase. Beverages can be purchased by audience members.

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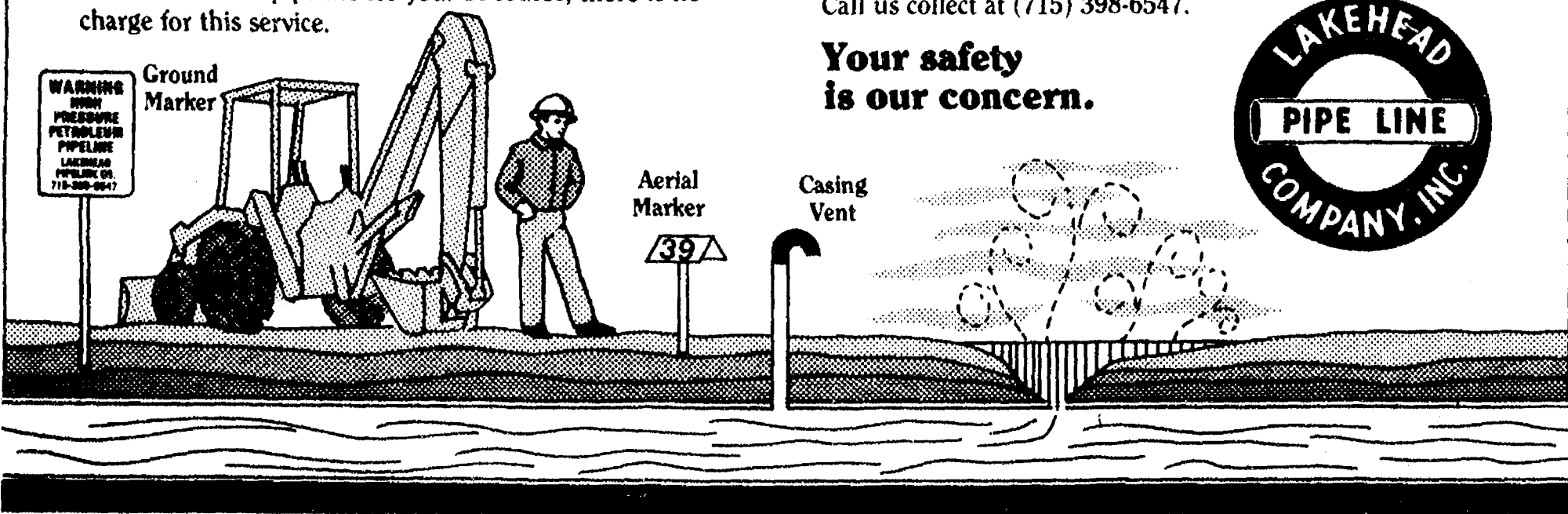
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The bride wore a floor length designer gown of ivory tissue satin with high neckline, bodice and back of schiffli embroidered lace trimmed with seed pearls, penciled sleeves also trimmed with lace and seed pearls, a natural waistline accented by a peplum flowing into a chapel train trimmed with lace. She carried a cascading bouquet of pine greens, holly, white poinsettias and wine roses.

Organ music was performed by Robert Sargeant and two musical selections were sung by Anne Marie Church of New Jersey, cousin of the bride.

The wedding couple was preceded down the aisle by matron of honor, Karen Cook, sister of the bride, escorted by best man, Scott Bischoff, friend of the couple, followed in pairs by bridesmaids and groomsmen, Suzanne O'Brien, friend of the couple, and Grant Martin, brother of the groom; Suzanne Martin, cousin of the groom, and Matthew Brady, friend of the couple.

The matron of honor and bridesmaids were dressed identically in full length gowns of deep wine styled after the bride's gown. They each carried cascading bou-

quets of pine greens, ivory and wine roses, accented with a votive candle.

The groom was attired in Lord West's grey and black pinstriped trousers, ivory pleated shirt and black tails, accented with a black satin bow tie and black satin cummerbund, also accented by a boutonniere of pine greens, an ivory rose and baby's breath. The groomsmen and usher were dressed similarly with the exceptions of black dinner jackets and boutonnières of pine greens, a wine rose and baby's breath.

Guests were greeted by Amy Cook, niece of the bride, and were seated by Grant Martin, brother of the groom, and Daniel Hoeksema, cousin of the groom.

The bride's mother, Beverly Lowrie, chose a floor length gown in mauve with a complimenting corsage worn at the wrist. The groom's mother, Carolyn Martin, was attired in a floor length gown of mauve and ivory, also complimented by a wrist corsage.

Following the wedding a candlelight reception was held at the Pretzel Bell Restaurant of East Lansing for approximately 150 guests, arranged by the bride and groom.

Guests included friends and relatives from California, New Jersey, New Mexico, Illinois, Washington, Florida, Grayling, East Lansing, Lansing, Holland, Coopersville, Saginaw, Dewitt, Haslett, Okemos, Holt, Grand Ledge, Leslie, Westland, Adrian, Perry, Flint and Mason, Michigan.

Mercy Hospital and St. Francis Episcopal Church of Grayling will co-sponsor a STEP Parenting program for parents with children ages 2 to 10 beginning April 17 and concluding May 22. The program will begin at 7:00 each Thursday and finish by 8:30 p.m.

STEP stands for Systematic Training for Effective Parenting, a proven program that helps parents identify and handle children's behaviors in a positive way and in a way that increases the child's sense of self confidence and responsibility. Mercy Hospital has held two sessions of STEP-TEEN for parents of young adults ages 10 to 18. The response has been very positive to this program.

Through the program parents will learn to identify specific goals a child may have for their misbehavior, i.e. whinning and interrupting to gain attention; arguing in order to obtain power; or denial of ability to do something so they can be excused from performing the task. By recognizing the goals, parents also learn to recognize their own behaviors that reinforce the behavior they wish would stop. Further, the program begins to identify how parents can apply the principles of natural and logical consequences - allowing to happen what will if the child does not assume responsibility for their actions. Consequences are allowed to happen within the range of safety and ability. A child is never subjected to the potential dangers their acts may cause.

The program will be held at St. Francis on Thursday evenings. Cost for the program is \$10 individual or couple. You can register by calling Pat Hanson at Mercy Hospital, 348-5461, ext 120 or Judy Woodland at St. Francis Church, 348-5850. This program is open to anyone with children under the age of 10. Registration is limited.

Re-enlists in U.S. Army

Sgt. Roger D. Kent, son of William H. Kent of Grayling, has re-enlisted in the U.S. Army in West Germany, for three years.

Kent is an administrative specialist with the 228th Postal Company.

His wife, Sheila, is the daughter of Clover and Allie Patrick of 12345 Cherrylawn, Detroit.

He is a 1977 graduate of Grayling High School.

In response to requests from area ministers, a second round of Pastoral Care Education Programs has been scheduled at Mercy Hospital, Grayling.

From April 10 through May 29 Pastoral Care Sessions will be offered on Thursdays from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. The sessions are specifically designed as clinical education for persons interested in ministering to the sick and dying. The program schedule is as follows:

Session I on April 10: "Definition of Pastoral Care of the Sick and Dying Within a Hospital Setting", presented by the Rev. Ralph Ludwick, Reformed Church in America.

Session II on April 17: "Some of the Most Common Illnesses Treated at Mercy Hospital," presented by the panel of K. Ramaswamy, M.D., Mercy Hospital; Debra Larson, Director of Social Services, Mercy Hospital; and G. William Fischer, O.S.F.S., Psychologist, Pastor.

Session III on April 24: "Death, Dying and Grief Counseling," presented by

Completes Recruit Training

Navy Airman Arthur K. Sigman, son of Arthur K. Sigman of Roscommon, has completed recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Orlando, Fla.

During Sigman's eight-week training cycle, he studied general military subjects designed to prepare him for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic fields.

Sigman's studies included seamanship, close order drill, Naval history and first aid. Personnel who complete this course of instruction are eligible for three hours of college credit in Physical Education and Hygiene.

A 1983 graduate of Roscommon High School, Roscommon, and a 1985 graduate of Northwood Institute, Midland, Mi., with an Associate's degree, he joined the Navy in November 1985. His wife, Kimberly, is the daughter of Leo and Sandy Valko, of Roscommon.

the Roscommon Hospice program personnel.

Session IV on May 1: "Crisis Intervention with Patients and Their Families," presented by Sister Ritaclare Johnson,

Herbal Corner

When one picks up an orange, one sees it as an object of Vitamin C, a citrus, and others think of Florida. But, darlin', things are done to an orange that just may surprise you.

I will be quoting mostly from the Modern Herbal.

"The first mention of oranges appears in the writing of Arabs, the time and manner of their first cultivation in Europe being uncertain. The small, immature fruits are sometimes used under the name of Orange Berries for flavouring Curacao. The volatile oil of the bitter orange peel is known as Oil of Bigarade, and Sweet Orange oil as Oil of Portugal.

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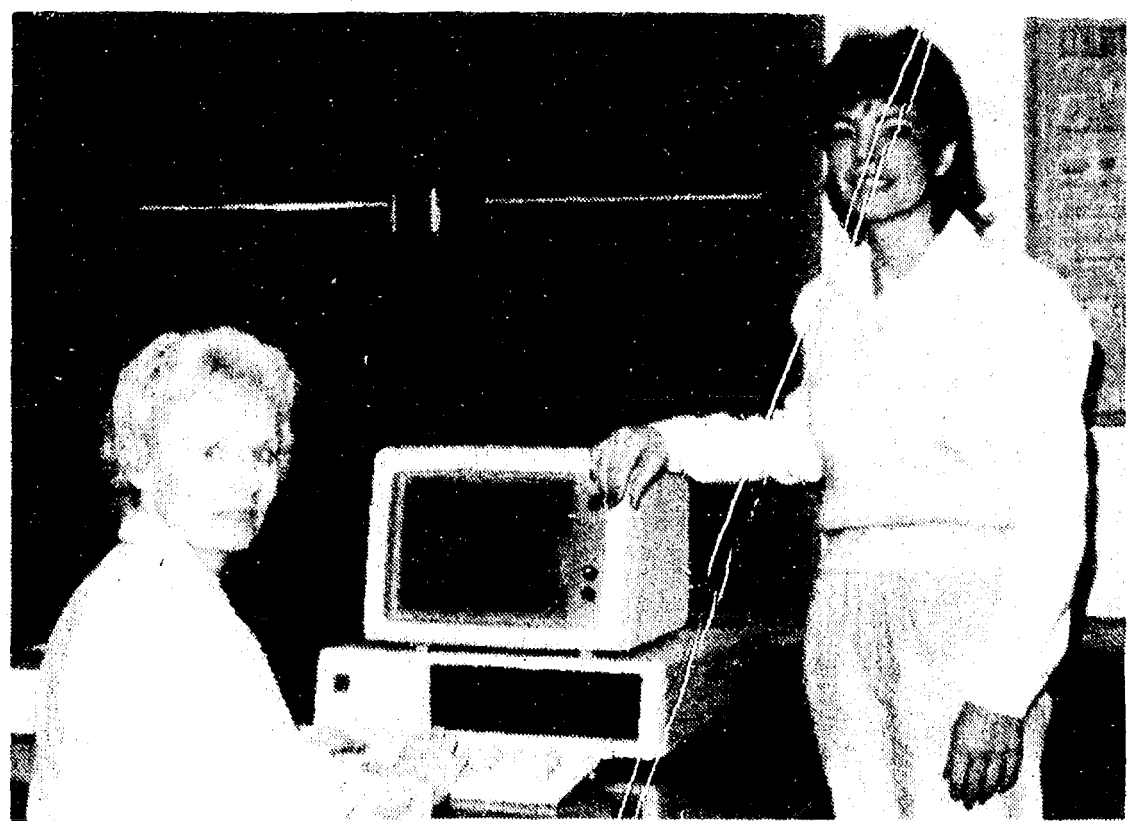


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Ferris State Honors List

Big Rapids - Nearly 1,200 Ferris State College students were included on the academic honors list for the Fall quarter, 1985-86, College officials have announced.

To be eligible, a Ferris student must have compiled a 3.50 grade point average in at least 12 quarter hours of graded work. The total list of 1,223 students includes 134 who earned 4.00 grade point averages, or all A grades.

Among the honored students were: Patricia Lange and Timothy J. Moore, both from Grayling.

Attention K mart Shoppers

In our April 1st "50 Million Dollar Sale" ad, on page 1, the illustration of the 16 oz. jars of Planters dry roasted peanuts is incorrect. Correct illustration should have been K mart brand 16 oz. jars of dry roasted peanuts, unsalted, salted.

We regret any inconvenience this may have caused our customers.

Editor's Mailbox

Dear Editor,

The 16th Armored Division Association is a non-profit organization of World War II Army Veterans, who served with General Patton's Third Army in Europe. We have 1100 members, who now reside in all 50 states except Montana and Alaska. Our Armored Division consisted of approximately 15,000 men during combat.

Since I was the First Sergeant of Company "B", 64th Armored Infantry Battalion of the 16th Armored Division, I can recall that there were men in my outfit who originally lived in Michigan and either enlisted or were drafted from your state.

I am trying to locate these men and ask them to join our association. It would be greatly appreciated if you would print this letter, requesting that these former members of The 16th Armored Division contact me. My C.O. was Capt. Lisle H. Niver from Michigan.

We hold an annual reunion in a different city and state in the United States. In 1985, our 34th Annual Reunion was held in Cleveland, Ohio. In 1986, we plan to be at Lake Tahoe, and in 1987 in Orlando, Florida.

Sincerely,
Steve J. Chylinski
First Vice-president
16th Armored Div. Assoc.
7926 Twin Oaks Dr.
Broadview Hts.,
Ohio 44147-1021
Ph. 216-237-3057

To The Editor:

Why I oppose mandatory Catch and Release for the following reasons;

One - I feel that the River is not in danger of losing its trout population because of a lifetime on the River and the Department of Natural Resources own fishery Biologists reports, that tell us that there is not any danger. They tell us that it is one of the best trout raising streams in the State of Michigan and Nation.

Two - I feel that since almost all of the affected stretch of River is privately owned that the Department of Natural Resources Commission, is violating the rights of the property owners. Many of them bought homes along that stretch of River because they can wade it to catch a fish or two, to eat once in awhile. They, now after buying their property, are being told that they can not use it to its fullest.

They now must drive several miles to fish in another part of the River. Since this stretch of River has most of the public access points, this is creating a hardship on us, the TAXPAYER.

Three - I feel that the Department of Natural Resources Commission is required to manage all of the resources for all of the people, not a few rich or well positioned people that want their own private stretch of River. These rich people come up here to fish a few days out of each year. We live here year round.

Four - That, those that want Catch and Release, say that this will increase the number of large trout. This may be true, but at what expense? They would reduce the number of trout over all. This will decrease the number of brook and rainbow trout, especially and also the number of smaller brown trout. We do not want a river like the Boardman, in which it is a real task to catch a brook trout. The Boardman used to be an excellent brook trout stream until the browns took over. We do not catch any rainbow trout there at all. We want lots of trout, not a few large trout. If you get only brown trout, you, the fisherman, must fish when they want to bite, not when you want them to. This will cause the fishing to deteriorate on the AuSable.

Five - They say that they want trophy trout. What is a trophy trout? Trophies are things that you put on a shelf. This means, you have to kill a trout to have a trophy. If they mean really large trout, then we do not need Catch and Release, because we already have many large trout in this stretch of River. During late July through September we can catch browns up to and over 26 inches long. In fact we caught, but did not keep, 30 trout on one stretch of River, 200 yards long, 18 to 26 inches in length. Are these trophy trout? If they are, what do we need with Catch and Release? WE don't! It's only an ego trip for a few people.

Six - If I came to your house and told you that I am going to take away one of the things that you like to do most because a point of law says that if I can pressure a small group of people into taking away that right you would fight also. Well, that's what I was told and I will be damned, if I am going to roll over and play dead because of such a statement.

Another statement made by a person in favor of Catch and Release was "The local people don't know what they want so let them go somewhere else to fish. I am fighting mad and if you ever have felt like that than help us, The Committee Opposed to Catch and Release, by sending money to help fight for your rights and mine. Send donations to: Committee Opposed to Catch and Release, P.O. Box 392, Grayling, Michigan 49738.

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Local 4-H Group Participate at Lansing



4-H'ers VISIT CAPITOL — Five Crawford County residents participated in the 4-H Capitol Experience program March 18-19 in Lansing. Pictured with their legislator are (front, l-r): Crawford County 4-H program assistant Ann Stephenson; Amy Jo Denton and Cheryl Barber, all of Grayling; (back, l-r) Jim Boone and Heidi Stephenson, both of Grayling; and Sen. Connie Binsfeld, 36th District.

East Lansing - Five Crawford County 4-H participants - Cheryl Barber, Jim Boone, Amy Jo Denton, Heidi Stephenson and Crawford County 4-H program assistant Ann Stephenson, all of Grayling - were among 90 young people and adults to participate in the 1986 4-H Capitol Experience program March 18-19 in Lansing.

"The purposes of the activity were to acquaint Michigan 4-H'ers with legislative and governmental processes and to encourage them to get involved in public affairs on local, county, regional, state and national levels," explains Margo Smith, 4-H Capitol Experience coordinator.

The youths participated in discussions on state government, met with media representatives who cover the capital, visited the Capitol, including the governor's office and the Senate and House chambers, hosted legislators at a special legislative breakfast and talked with representatives of

several state agencies.

The 4-H members spent one morning working on a community service project in the Lansing area, working with political reporters at the Capitol, visiting the State Police training academy in Lansing, distributing food at the Greater Lansing Food Bank or working in the governor's communication section sorting mail.

After returning to Crawford County, participants will organize a community

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The program was sponsored by the MSU Cooperative Extension Service 4-H Youth and Natural Resources and Public Policy programs.

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To show our appreciation, Floyd has been awarded a \$25.00 gift certificate for dinner at the Arrowhead Inn of Grayling.

Circuit Judge Randy Tahvonen Candidate for Court of Appeals

Circuit Judge Randy Tahvonen announced today that he is a candidate for judge of the Michigan Court of Appeals in the 66-county third district.

Tahvonen, who has been circuit judge in Clinton and Gratiot Counties for over seven years, is seeking to fill one of two vacancies created by the retirement of two present appeals court judges.

In announcing his candidacy, Judge Tahvonen stressed the importance of both trial and appellate court experience in working on the Court of Appeals. Emphasizing that he has heard over 600 cases as a visiting judge on the Court of Appeals and over 4500 cases as a circuit judge, Tahvonen



the candidates before selecting their new judges. If we succeed in those goals, I'm certain we'll be satisfied whatever the outcome of the election."

Tahvonen, a 1970 graduate of Michigan State University, received his law degree with honors from the Detroit College of Law in 1973. Following law school, he worked as judicial research attorney for Judge Louis D. McGregor of the Court of Appeals and then opened a private law practice in St. Johns. He was elected circuit judge in 1978 and re-elected in 1984.

went on to state:

"The work of the Court of Appeals requires an ability to distinguish between technical oversights on one hand and major errors on the other. Experience as a private attorney, special prosecutor, circuit judge and visiting appeals court judge gives me the balanced and informed viewpoint needed to make that distinction. The purpose of our campaign will be to highlight the importance of the Court of Appeals and to encourage the people of the third district to consider the qualifications of all

In addition to his work on the bench, Judge Tahvonen is a member of the faculty of the Michigan Judicial Institute which conducts educational seminars for judges throughout the state. Tahvonen is also a member of the Supreme Court committee to revise the rules of criminal procedure and of the executive and rules committees of the Michigan Judges Association. In 1981, he was one of ten judges in the United States selected to receive a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities to study at Yale Law School. Tahvonen is also a graduate of the National Judicial College and the American Academy of Judicial Education.

Judge Tahvonen, his wife Penny and their four children live near Elsie and are members of the First Baptist Church of St. Johns. Randy is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Tahvonen, former Grayling residents.

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Statewide Hearings On Older Women's Issues

The Michigan Women's Commission will be conducting five hearings across the state to determine the status of older women regarding three major economic areas. In its 1985/86 Michigan budget the Legislature directed that the Commission study the availability and impact of pension systems, employment and training programs, and health insurance relative to older women.

The Women's Commission Task Force on Older Women's Issues, composed

of 32 citizens from both the public and private sectors, has scheduled five hearings to begin on March 27 and end on May 8, 1986. The testimony gathered will be included in a report to be presented to the Legislature before October 1, 1986. According to Commissioner Dorothy Jones of Ypsilanti, Chairperson of the Task Force, "the Michigan Women's Commission has placed a very high priority on addressing the rapidly increasing numbers of women in poverty and attributes older women's economic problems as a primary contributing factor. We view the Legislature's mandate as a positive first step in solving the serious economic problems of Michigan's older female population."

The hearing schedule is April 4, 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., Grayling, Crawford County Commission on Aging, 308 Lawndale Drive.

Persons wishing to testify should call the Michigan Women's Commission at 517/373-2884 for inclusion on the agenda. Those wishing to submit written testimony should send it to the Commission, at the North Ottawa Building, P.O. Box 30026, before May 15, 1986.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank each and every one of you who made the benefit dinner held in our behalf such a success.

A special thank you goes to the business people who donated the food, the friends who volunteered their help, and Jim and Joanne Shively for the use of the Red Barn.

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by Aleta Thompson, Director

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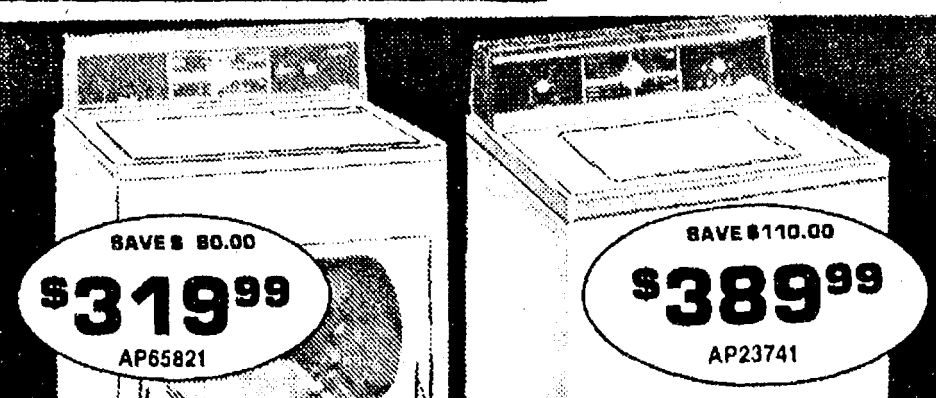
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Obituaries

**Saturday Services for
Julia M. Mielke, 70**

Julia M. Mielke, 70, of Grayling died Thursday, March 27, 1986 in Gratiot Community Hospital, Alma. Funeral services were held Saturday, March 29, 1986 at the Dewey Funeral Home in Alma with the M.S.G.R. Olin Murdick officiating. Burial was in the Chapel Garden Cemetery, Elwell, Michigan.

Mrs. Mielke was born on May 15, 1915, in Pennsylvania, the daughter of John and Mary Fedor. On October 30, 1934 she married Ralph Mielke. Mrs. Mielke was a former resident of Alma before moving to Grayling and was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church, Grayling.

She was preceded in death by 4 sisters and one brother.

Survivors include her husband, Ralph Mielke of Grayling; daughter, Mrs. Willard (Helen) Holton of Alma; five grandchildren; one brother, Mr. Andrew Fedor of Gaylord; and one sister, Mrs. Margaret Alexander of Saginaw.

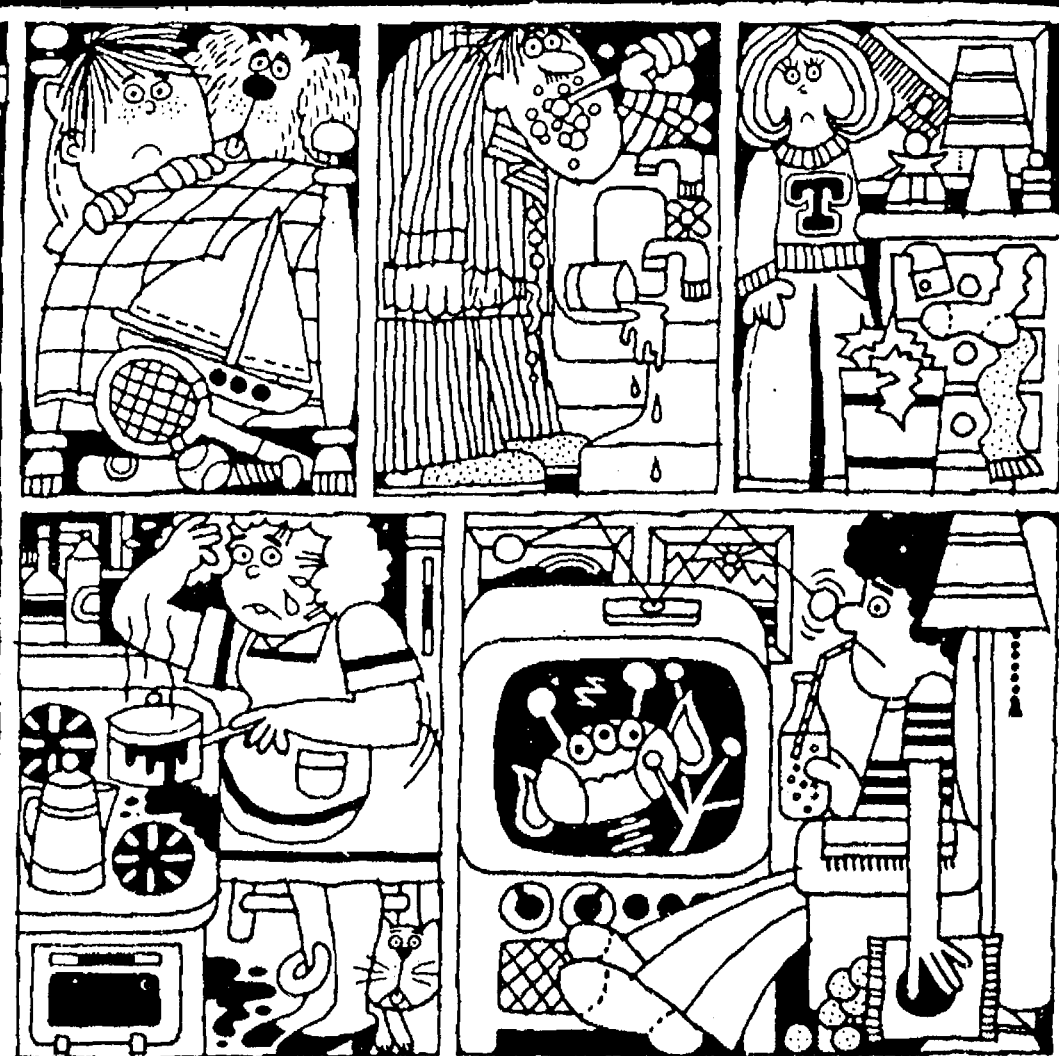
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- April 4, 1818**—Present rules adopted for modification of U.S. flag.
- April 5, 1976**—Howard Hughes died.
- April 6, 1956**—First circular office building dedicated, Los Angeles.
- April 7, 1940**—Booker T. Washington, educator and social reformer, begins first Black to be depicted on a U.S. postage stamp.
- April 8, 1913**—Ratification of 17th amendment to the Constitution provides for popular election of U.S. senators.
- April 9, 1867**—Senate consents to \$7.4 million purchase of Alaska from Russia.

Road Commission Minutes

February 21, 1986

A regular meeting of the Crawford County Road Commission was held in their office in Grayling, Chairman Parker presiding. Present were: Chairman Parker, Commissioners Grover Cason and Gloria Kraus, Engineer-Manager John Keir and Acting-Secretary Joanne Thompson.

The minutes of February 7, 1986 were read. Commissioner Cason made a motion to accept the minutes as read, seconded by Commissioner Kraus. All voted in favor, minutes approved.

Payroll Vouchers Number 4 in the amount of \$25,735.42 and Material checks numbered 10334 through 10385 in the amount of \$37,249.20 were presented to the Board for approval of payment. Commissioner Kraus made a motion to accept the vouchers, seconded by Commissioner Cason.

Bob Carpenter, Robertson & Carpenter, CPA, appeared before the Board to present the finalized 1985 Financial Report and Act 51 Report. Chairman Parker signed the Report.

Engineer-Manager Keir informed the Board of a Vacation-Council Meeting on the 27th of February in Arenac County.

Permits were reviewed and signed at this time were: General Telephone Company to bury communication cable in 20 different areas in Beaver Creek Township; Michigan Consolidated Gas Company to construct a natural gas pipeline on Kolka Creek Road in Frederic Township; and Shell Western E & P, Inc. to conduct a seismic survey on County Road 502 in South Branch Township.

Correspondence was received from Local Services Division, Michigan Department of Transportation, regarding Act 124 of 1985 amended Act 51, PA of 1951 (Heavy Maintenance).

Discussion was held on fiberglass inserts for dump boxes, the county wide numbering system and a petition that had been received from the residents on AuSable Trail regarding a curve.

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was made and supported to adjourn.

Joanne Thompson Norman F. Parker
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28:1-10

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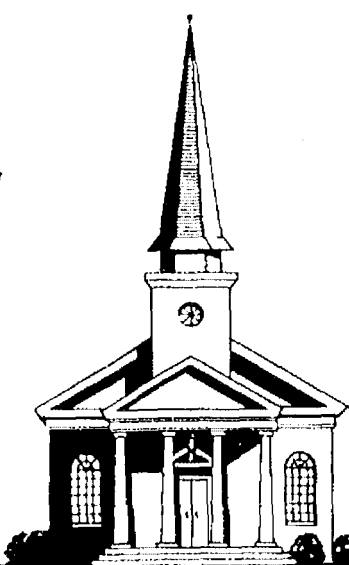
Tuesday
Luke
24:13-35

Wednesday
Luke
24:36-49

Thursday
John
20:19-33

Friday
John
20:24-31

Saturday
John
21:1-19



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Dr. William Barclay, British theologian-pastor, wrote some years ago that "the moment a person neglects his body, that moment his spiritual life begins decline."

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Pastor Robert Barnett
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NEW DENTIST OFFICE — Dr. Arthur Kerle cuts a ribbon in front of his new office along M-72 West.

Arthur Paul Kerle, D.D.S., a 1984 graduate of the University of Michigan's Dental School, opened an office in Grayling April 1st. Dr. Kerle has a lifelong acquaintance with the Grayling area, having spent summers here since childhood.

Dr. Kerle graduated from Hope College with an A.B. in Biology. He then earned an M.S. Degree in Biology from

the University of Michigan. While studying for the latter degree he also worked as a graduate assistant, doing electronmicroscopy studying the structure of shark-teeth.

During his last two summers in dental school he served with the U of M's Mobile Unit, providing dental care for migrant children in the Traverse City area.

Upon graduation, Dr.

Kerle was associated locally, and he also served as Staff Dentist at Grayling Mercy Hospital and Grayling Health Care Center. Currently he is associated with Dr. Timothy Hord, of Gaylord.

A Grayling office is a natural choice for Dr. Kerle; in his spare moments he enjoys fly-tying and trout fishing, nature photography, canoeing, and skiing. An accomplished flutist, he participated in Grayling's Bach Alive concert, as well as in a number of church solos.

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Blood Mobile a Success

On Wednesday, March 26th, Grayling High School was the site of another Red Cross Blood Drive. Throughout the day 132 people came in to donate blood. Of all the donors, 31 people came to give blood for the very first time. In addition to the newcomers however, there were also former donors who received gallon pins: Paul Smith - 2 gallon; Nancy Brooks - 2 gallon, and Julie Nankervis - 3 gallon.

Thank-yous are extended to all the people who came in to donate, and those who helped out on the site. Special thanks to local radio stations WGRY and WQON for broadcasting hourly blood reports and promoting the blood drive on the air. Thank you Crawford County, hope to see you May 28th at the American Legion for the next blood bank!

The Avalanche — Your Want Ad Paper

Distress

No single principle of mental health can guarantee that a person will pass through the challenges and perils of a long life without experiencing distress. Loss, suffering and human error are part of most lives. However, it is within our abilities to reduce the depth and frequency of suffering and to help each other when our own resources are temporarily overrun.

In the elderly, distress can be more acute since immediate problems bring to mind earlier difficulties. The elderly person may be haunted by memories of stressful events and relationships as far back as early childhood. Tormented by both past and present, he may feel helpless. At the same time, there may be fewer resources available to cope with problems in the immediate situation—fewer people to share experiences with, less physical and financial control over the environment, and so on.

We can help such a person by encouraging him to use all the control he still has, and by supporting him in all his remaining areas of vigor and competence. We can hear him out, listening carefully to his sorrows and alarms. This sharing is not only useful in itself, but it can also help the elderly to realize that problems of the past need not to weigh upon him today.

We can help each other by giving support and security without asking a high psychological price for it. An impaired or emotionally upset elderly person should be helped without asking for anything in return and without unnecessary invasion of privacy. We should not insult a person's integrity, condescend to him, or deprive him of rights in the name of welfare.

Elderly people who face difficult situations or have inner emotional problems benefit from psychological consultations. However, this possibility seldom suggests

itself to them, for many grew up in the pre-psychotherapy era. It must also be said that there are still relatively few counselors and therapists who appreciate the contribution they make in this area. For many years it was assumed that the elderly were not appropriate candidates for therapy. Fortunately, however, some clinicians have opened themselves to this challenge and discovered that psychotherapy can prove effective with the elderly as well as the young. It is to be hoped that individual and group therapy will become increasingly available and acceptable to the elderly.

There is general agreement that there is a higher percentage of people suffering emotional distress in old age than at any other time in adult life. Yet the provision of mental health services for the elderly is much below the average. The gap between need and suitable care is too often felled by dubious measures.

Maude Rice, M.S.W.
North Central Community Mental Health

Strolling Around Town

Someone told me that 'strolling' was missed and usually this column doesn't start until school is out for the summer but because it's such a beautiful Easter Sunday, I'll do a few lines. The past two days, March 29 and 30, have been absolutely gorgeous with the temperatures up in the 60's and 70's. With snowdrifts three feet high last weekend, it's hard to believe that it's almost gone, a few piles here and there in shady spots.

We've only observed our end of the city, but already several homes have bags of leaves and debris ready for pickup, among those raking were the Clyde Weiss, the George McEvers, another home on Michigan Avenue, residents unknown to me, as well as the new owners of the Haydet apartment house on Michigan. The McEvers, Bill Cox and Mrs. Tinker's homes have egg trees in their yards. Let's hope everyone enjoys and not destroys.

Families have been strolling and bicycling; even the city manager was seen surveying the scene on his bike! The robins have appeared this past week as well as a few of our crocus. Spring is on the way. A new home craft shop has opened on Michigan Avenue. And on Peninsular the former Helen Roblin house has a new front porch, put on, I believe, by a new owner.

Even the golf course looked fairly busy on Saturday afternoon; we haven't been by it today but considering the temperatures, I'm sure there were golfers out there. This has definitely not been a typical March weekend. Can it possibly last?



SPELLDOWN CHAMPIONS — Cindy Fedewa, Toye Sheldon, Peggy Studer, Jordan Stancil, Jenny Smith, Angie Thompson, and Jenny Naour (from left to right) were named the Grayling Middle School spelling champions for 1985-86.

Keeping Healthy

Walking a Sure Way to Fitness

A regular program of jogging is a superb way to get yourself back into condition. But plain old walking may do the job as well for many of us, reports the American Podiatric Medical Association.

Walking up to three miles briskly will accomplish the same thing as jogging for three miles, and the activity is safe and painless. For those with a long history of inactivity, problems with obesity, or just an aversion to strenuous physical activity, walking may be the ideal form of exercise, especially for those over 60.

When most Americans decide they need exercise they tend to go overboard. If a person is out of shape, jogging or playing a few sets of tennis, for example, can result in severe muscle aches and pains. Walking, however, can revitalize and invigorate these same muscles.

SENIOR CITIZENS

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Friday, Apr. 4 — 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

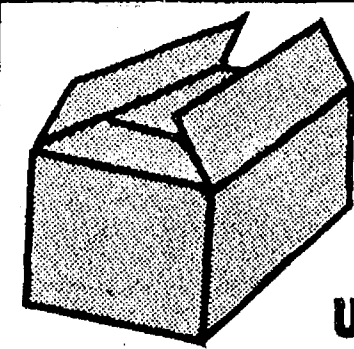
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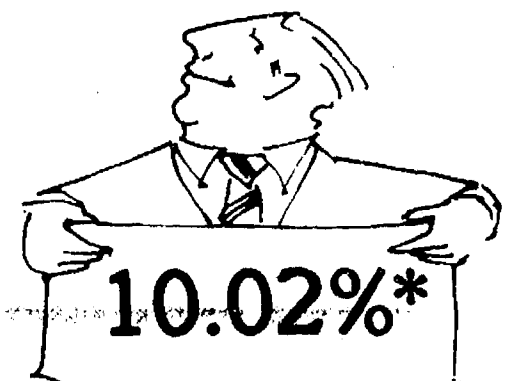
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The District meeting (50th year) will be held on Thurs., April 17 at Alpena, Mich.

Margie Harwood was appointed Chairman of the Program Committee. Irene Honey gave an interesting discourse on "Law - What Is Law?" Kitty Pellegrini discussed "Care of Carpets".

The Jury trial which the club was to attend on Monday, March 24th has been settled. Barbara Griswold displayed a banner she made for the 50th anniversary of MAEH (Michigan Area Extension Homemakers). It is attractive, unique and very appropriate and will be entered at College Week in June.

Ruth Caid received the Mystery Prize. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 9 at the Lovells Township Hall with Helen Spencer as hostess. There will be a Bottle Auction, also bring a Hobby and be prepared to demonstrate it.

Call your hostess if you are unable to attend.
Hazel Koernke, Reporter

LOVELLS TOWNSHIP NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the Lovells Township Zoning Board at 9:30 A.M. on Monday, April 14, 1986 in the Township Hall.

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Helen M. Spencer, Clerk

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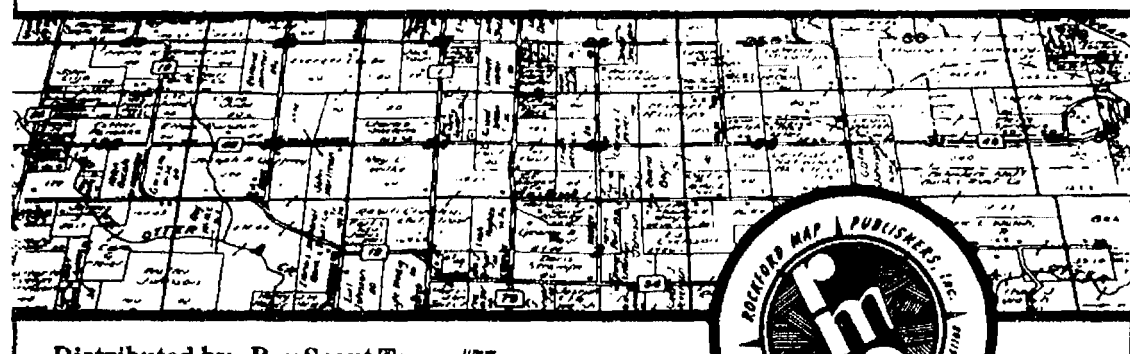
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The project consists of approximately 5,300 lineal feet of street construction with storm sewer, curb and gutter, bituminous surfacing, and seeding. The approximate quantities of the major items of the project are as follows:

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Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained at the office of Richards & Associates, Inc., 1783 Barlow, Traverse City, Michigan 49684, upon payment of \$30.00.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive irregularities in any bid and to accept the bid they deem in the best interest of the City of Grayling. No Contractor may withdraw his Bid for a period of Thirty (30) days after the opening of Bids.

March 12, 1986

CITY OF GRAYLING
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"Open House" at WPHN Radio

April 7-11 will be "Open House" week at WPHN-FM in Gaylord as the station celebrates its first anniversary. General Manager, Dave Malin said, "we're excited about what God has been doing this first year, and extend an invitation to all to come and meet our staff and see the studio facilities."

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Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made the 4th day of November 1981, by LINDA R. STEIN, a single woman (Linda R. Stein is now known as Linda R. Marshall) as mortgagor(s), to the United States of America, as mortgagee, and recorded on November 4, 1981, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber 201 of mortgages on pages 383-386; on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice Thirty Four Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Eight and 46/100 Dollars (\$34,998.46) principal and Fourteen Thousand Forty Nine and 88/100 Dollars (\$14,049.88) interest; no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt secured by said mortgage, and the power of sale contained in said mortgage having become operative by reason of such default.

NOW, THEREFORE, Notice is Hereby Given that on May 8, 1986 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon at the front steps (east side) of the Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said mortgage, the lands and premises in said mortgage mentioned and described, as follows, to wit:

That property located in Grayling Township, County of Crawford in the State of Michigan, to-wit: Lot Five (5), Block Nine (9) of HADLEY'S SECOND ADDITION to the Village of Grayling. According to the Plat thereof as recorded at Liber 1 of Plats, Page 10, Crawford County Records. The redemption period will be six months from the foreclosure sale. Property may be redeemed by paying the amount of the bid at the foreclosure sale plus 13.25% interest and any unpaid encumbrances on the property from date of sale. Dated March 26, 1986. For additional information, contact UNITED STATES OF AMERICA acting through Farmers Home Administration, Room 209, 1405 S. Harrison Road, East Lansing, MI 48823, mortgagee.

-27-3-10-17-

Notice of Public Sale

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to Judgments of Foreclosure entered by the Honorable William A. Porter, Circuit Judge for Crawford County, Michigan, on March 3, 1986, the following described parcels of real estate will be sold at public sale by the Sheriff of Crawford County at the Crawford County Building, Grayling, Michigan, at 2:00 P.M. on Friday, May 23, 1986.

A. Lot 212, Plat of Warbler's Hideaway, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 2, Page 12, Crawford County Records;

B. Lots 388, 413 and 414, Plat of Warbler's Hideaway No. 3, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 2, Page 18, Crawford County Records;

C. Lots 546 and 547, Plat of Warbler's Hideaway No. 4, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 2, Page 24, Crawford County Records;

D. Lots 27 and 31, Plat of Creekview No. 1, according to the plat thereof recorded in Liber 2, Page 23, Crawford County Records.

Lots will be sold "as is" and without any representation as to marketability of title and/or obligation to pay delinquent taxes.

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By: Ronald G. Morgan (P17963)

Attorneys for Warbler's Hideaway Association
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Dated: March 7, 1986

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Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made the 7th day of July, 1982, by CLARENCE C. HOESLI and LAURA J. HOESLI, his wife as mortgagor(s), to the United States of America, as mortgagee, and recorded on July 7, 1982, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber 208 of mortgages on pages 69-72; on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice Forty Four Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Four and 39/100 Dollars (\$44,584.39) principal and Sixteen Thousand Two Hundred Forty Seven and 52/100 Dollars (\$16,247.52) interest; no suit or proceeding at law

or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt secured by said mortgage, and the power of sale contained in said mortgage having become operative by reason of such default.

NOW, THEREFORE, Notice is Hereby Given that on May 1, 1986 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon at the Front Steps (East Side) of the Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said mortgage, together with the legal costs and charges of sale provided by law and in said mortgage, the lands and premises in said mortgage mentioned and described, as follows, to wit:

That property located in the County of Crawford, Township of Grayling in the State of Michigan, Lot 8, Clough's Highland Acres, according to the plat thereof as recorded at Liber 1 of Plats, Page 65, Crawford County Records. The redemption period will be one month from the foreclosure sale. Property may be redeemed by paying the amount of the bid at the foreclosure sale plus 13 1/4% interest and any unpaid encumbrances on the property from date of sale.

Dated: March 19, 1986.

For additional information, contact UNITED STATES OF AMERICA acting through Farmers Home Administration, Room 209, 1405 S. Harrison Road, East Lansing, MI 48823, mortgagee.

-20-27-3-10-

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made the 7th day of October, 1980, by Mary Jane Young as mortgagor(s), to the United States of America, as mortgagee, and recorded on October 23, 1980, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber 191 of mortgages on pages 319-322; and re-recorded on July 9, 1981 in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber 198 of mortgages on pages 151-153; on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice Seven Thousand Three Hundred Ninety Two and 34/100 Dollars (\$7,392.34) principal and Thirteen and 91/100 Dollars (\$13.91) interest; no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt secured by said mortgage, and the power of sale contained in said mortgage having become operative by reason of such default.

NOW, THEREFORE, Notice is Hereby Given that on May 1, 1986 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon at the front steps (east side) of the Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said mortgage, together with the legal costs and charges of sale provided by law and in said mortgage, the lands and premises in said mortgage mentioned and described, as follows, to wit:

That property located in the County of Crawford in the State of Michigan. Being the Southeast quarter (SE 1/4) of the Northeast quarter (NE 1/4) of the Northeast quarter (NE 1/4) of Section Twenty six (26), Town 26 North, Range 3 West, and a 1973 Forest Park Mobile Home (Serial No. FE 3536). The redemption period will be six months from the foreclosure sale. Property may be redeemed by paying the amount of the bid at the foreclosure sale plus 1.0% interest and any unpaid encumbrances on the property from date of sale.

Dated: March 19, 1986.

For additional information, contact UNITED STATES OF AMERICA acting through Farmers Home Administration, Room 209, 1405 S. Harrison Road, East Lansing, MI 48823, mortgagee.

-20-27-3-10-

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made on the 12th day of October, 1981, by Timothy W. Tucker and Joyce A. Tucker, as Mortgagor, to NORTHERN NATIONAL BANK (CHEMICAL BANK NORTH, Successor/Assignee), of Grayling, Michigan, Mortgagee, and recorded on the 19th day of October, 1981 in Liber 201, Pages 133-136, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan; on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice the sum of Eighteen Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Two Dollars and 16 Cents (\$18,672.16), plus interest and other allowable costs.

Further, no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt or any part of

the debt, secured by said mortgage, and the power of sale contained in said mortgage having become operative by reason of such default.

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of April, 1986, at 10:00 in the forenoon at the main front door of the County Building, Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for said County, there will be offered for and sold to the highest bidder at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said mortgage, with interest thereon at 13 1/2 per cent, together with legal costs and charges of sale, provided by law and in said mortgage, the land and premises in said mortgage mentioned and described as follows: Lands and premises situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, viz:

The South 1/2 of the North 1/2 of the West 1/4 of the southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 33, Town 27 North, Range 2 West.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale. Property may be redeemed by paying the amount bid at the sale, plus interest thereon at 13 1/2 per cent, and any fees, taxes, or other unpaid encumbrances on the property from date of sale.

The property shall be offered for sale in parcels or in total.

CHEMICAL BANK NORTH
As Successor/Assignee of
Northern National Bank,
Mortgagee

WILLIAM L. CAREY

(P31602)

Attorney for

Chemical Bank North

P.O. Drawer 665

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Legal Notice

STATE OF MICHIGAN
In The Circuit Court for the
County of Crawford

File No. 86-1287CH (P)

RUSSELL L. HUDSON &
SANDRA K. HUDSON,
husband & wife,
Plaintiffs,

vs.
CHARLES J. ROBINETTE
& LAVONDA ROBINETTE,
husband & wife,
Defendants.

ORDER TO ANSWER

On February 24, 1986, an action was filed by RUSSELL L. HUDSON & SANDRA K. HUDSON, husband & wife, Plaintiffs, against CHARLES J. ROBINETTE & LAVONDA ROBINETTE, husband & wife, Defendants, in this Court to foreclose an Executory Land Contract dated September 9, 1982 by reason of Defendants' default of the terms thereof pursuant to which RUSSELL L. HUDSON & SANDRA K. HUDSON were Sellers and CHARLES J. ROBINETTE & LAVONDA ROBINETTE were Purchasers of real property more particularly described as:

PARCEL NO. 14:
Being a part of the S 1/2 of Section 1, T28N, R4W, FREDERIC TOWNSHIP, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN, described as: commencing at the S 1/4 corner of said Section 1; thence N89° 49'20"E along the Section line, 55.26 feet; thence N1°12'24"W, 653.17 feet for Point of Beginning; thence S89°49'20"W, 667.69 feet; thence N1°12'15"W, 653.18 feet; thence N89°19'20"E, 667.67 feet; thence S1°12'24"E, 653.18 feet to Point of Beginning and contains 10.01 acres of land.

SUBJECT TO an easement for ingress and egress and installation and maintenance of public utilities over the Westerly and Northerly 33.0 feet thereof.

FURTHER SUBJECT TO all reservations, restrictions, and easements of record, if any.

It is hereby ordered that the Defendants, CHARLES J. ROBINETTE & LAVONDA ROBINETTE, his wife, shall in this Court answer or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before April 25, 1986. Failure to comply with this order will result in a judgment by default against such Defendant for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this Court. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order To Answer be published in both Crawford County, Michigan and Washtenaw County, Michigan being the last known address of Defendants.

William A. Porter
Circuit Judge.
Date of Order: March 4, 1986.

John B. Huss
Plaintiff's Attorney.

P.O. Box 832,
Grayling, MI 49738

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-27-3-10-



SPELLING IT OUT

Teacher: "Really, Dexter, your handwriting gets worse every day!"
Dexter: "I'm afraid if I wrote any better, you'd find fault with my spelling."

Your Week Ahead Horoscope

Forecast Period: 4/6 - 4/12/86

ARIES

Mar. 21-Apr. 19

Surprising things happen when you rely on your own resources rather than turn to others for guidance.

TAURUS

Apr. 20-May 20

Take care not to reveal confidential information you may become aware of. Your silence is a formidable weapon.

GEMINI

May 21-June 20

Friends interested in your success provide opportunity for you to achieve a cherished goal. Keep an open mind.

CANCER

June 21-July 22

Keep your attention riveted on succeeding in your plans. The slight interferences you are apt to encounter delay things somewhat.

LEO

July 23-Aug. 22

A change of scenery can do wonders to enliven your mental outlook. Some travel is in order.

VIRGO

Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Monetary changes may be necessary. See to it that taxes and other assessments are paid on time.

LIBRA

Sept. 23-Oct. 22

An appointment calendar is a must during these busy days. Allow enough time for each task, and stick to the schedule.

SCORPIO

Oct. 23-Nov. 21

Put your restless energy to constructive use. Be sensitive to the needs of your co-workers. Do good deeds.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 22-Dec. 21

Things that seem effortless to you may be harder for others. Arrogance on your part is sure to cause resentment.

CAPRICORN

Dec. 22-Jan. 19

Tend to family and property interests. Be diplomatic in dealing with a family member who has opposing arguments.

AQUARIUS

Jan. 20-Feb. 18

You have a strong aptitude for writing and other means of communication requiring mental alertness. Improve your skills.

PISCES

Feb. 19-Mar. 20

Wednesday's lunation in your money house should give you incentive to search for new financial advantages.

It's your return that counts!

Support
March of Dimes

Birth defects are forever. Unless you help.

PUBLIC HEARING

NOTIFICATION OF PUBLIC HEARING OF THE ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO MISTY WAY OFF ROBERTS ROAD, SECTION 5, T26N, R3W.

The proposed assessment roll for the improvements to Misty Way has been completed and is now on file for public inspection during business hours at the office of the Grayling Township Clerk. A public hearing for approval of said assessment roll will be held on April 8, 1986, at 8:00 p.m. in the Grayling Township Office, West M-72 Plaza.

All objections to the assessment roll must be in writing and filed with the Township Clerk before that date or presented at the public hearing.

Correspondence concerning the matter should be directed to Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738.

Monica S. Ashton
Grayling Township Clerk

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made on the 9th day of September, 1983, by James A. Franke, as Mortgagor, to NORTHERN NATIONAL BANK (CHEMICAL BANK NORTH, Successor/Assignee), of Grayling, Michigan, Mortgagee, and recorded on the 14th day of September, 1983 in Liber 218, Pages 469-472, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan; on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice the sum of Twenty Five Thousand One Hundred Four Dollars and 23 Cents (\$25,104.23), plus interest and other allowable costs:

Further, no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt or any part of the debt, secured by said mortgage, and the power of sale contained in said mortgage having become operative by reason of said default:

NOW, THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that on the 23rd day of April, 1986, at 10:00 in the forenoon at the main front door of the County Building, Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for said County, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder at public sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said mortgage, with interest thereon at 13 per cent, together with legal costs and charges of sale, provided by law and in said mortgage, the land and premises in said mortgage mentioned and described as follows: Lands and premises situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, viz:

PARCEL 1: Part of the W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 25, T28N, R3W, Commencing at the SW corner of said Section 25, thence S89°58'E (along the Section line) 250 ft. to the P.O.B., thence N1°13'W (parallel with the West line of said Section 25) 524.0 ft.; thence S89°58'E 50 ft.; thence N1°13'W 268 ft.; thence N89°58'W 256 ft. to the edge of the County Road; thence N1°13'W (along County Road) 73.0 ft.; thence S89°58'E 256 ft.; thence N1°13'W 30.8 ft.; thence S89°58'E 362.0 ft. to the East line of the W $\frac{1}{2}$ of SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 25; thence S1°13'E 895.8 ft.; thence N89°58'W 409.5 ft. to the P.O.B. also:

PARCEL 2: Starting at the SW corner of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 25, T28N, R3W; thence N1°08'W 724 ft. (through the middle of the County Road) for a point of beginning; thence S89°58'E 300 ft.; thence N1°08'W 68 ft.; thence N89°58'W, 300 ft.; thence S1°08'E 68 ft. to the point of beginning. Subject to restrictions, reservations and easements of record.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of such sale. Property may be redeemed by paying the amount bid at the sale, plus interest thereon at 13 per cent, and any fees, taxes, or other unpaid encumbrances on the property from date of sale.

The property shall be offered for sale in parcels or in total.

CHEMICAL BANK NORTH
As Successor/Assignee of
NORTHERN NATIONAL
BANK Mortgagee
WILLIAM L. CAREY
(P31602)
Attorney for Chemical
Bank North
P.O. Drawer 665
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-20-27-3-10-

Notice of Sale On Partition

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to an Order of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, dated the 7th day of February, 1986, directing me to sell the property described below, I shall, on the 16th day of April, 1986, at 10:00 a.m. at public auction to be held at the County Building in the city of Grayling in said County, offer for sale to the highest bidder the following premises:

Land in the township of Frederic, County of Crawford State of Michigan described as: All that part of the NW $\frac{1}{4}$ of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 35 T28N, R4W lying West of the D & C Railroad.

Notice is further given that pursuant to the above order, the terms of sale shall be as follows: The said premises shall be sold for not less than \$4,375.00; that the buyer pay at least \$684.16 cash at the time of sale, and pay the balance in cash within 30 days thereafter or in the form of a land contract payable to the Plaintiffs upon such terms as shall be agreeable to the Plaintiffs.

Dated: February 27, 1986
Elizabeth H. Wieland
Crawford County Clerk
Bernard J. Caspar
Attorney for Plaintiffs
2258 Old U.S. 27 South
P.O. Box 1214
Gaylord, MI 49735
517-732-6255
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THOUGHT FOR FOOD

by GOULD CROOK

Southern Potato Salad

2 lbs. red potatoes, cooked, peeled and diced
2 cups sliced Dole Fresh Mushrooms
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 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup diced red onion
3 hard-cooked eggs, shelled and diced
1 lg. clove garlic, pressed
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup mayonnaise
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup white wine vinegar
2 tbsp. vegetable oil
1 tsp. dill weed, crumbled
1 tsp. Dijon mustard
 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. salt
 $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. black pepper

Combine potatoes, mushrooms, celery, onion, eggs and garlic. For dressing, combine mayonnaise, vinegar, oil, dill, mustard, salt and pepper. Pour over potato salad; toss well. Refrigerate 1 hour before serving. 6 to 8 servings.

Legal Notice

STATE OF MICHIGAN
In The District Court For
The County of Crawford

File No. 86-013-LT
Charles W. Lodge and
Patricia Lodge,
Plaintiffs,

vs.
Patricia P. Harrington and
Floyd Harrington,
Defendants,

JOHN G. HUNTER (P27417)
Attorney for Plaintiffs
ORDER FOR SERVICE
OF PROCESS

Pursuant to M.C.R. 2.105(I)
and M.C.R. 2.106

At a session of said Court held in the City of Grayling, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, on the 18th day of March, 1986.

PRESENT: HONORABLE
FRANCIS L. WALSH District
Court Judge.

A Complaint to Forfeit a Land Contract having been filed with the said District Court by the above-named Plaintiffs, wherein it is alleged that said Plaintiffs are the owner and entitled to the possession of certain real estate situated in the Township of Frederic, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, and described as:

Lots 1 and 2 and the South half (S $\frac{1}{2}$) of Lot 3, all in Block "H" of the original plat of the Village of Frederic, according to the recorded plat thereof, more commonly known as 7336 Forest, Frederic, Michigan.

and that the above-named Defendants are lawfully in possession thereof; and it appearing from a motion on file in said cause that after diligent search and inquiry Defendant, FLOYD HARRINGTON, cannot be located.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED, that said Defendant, FLOYD HARRINGTON be and appear at the said 83rd Judicial District located at the Crawford County Building, Grayling, Michigan 49738 at 1:30 p.m. o'clock on the 29th day of April, 1986, to answer and defend the said Complaint or Judgment. That failure to answer or take other action as permitted by law will result in the entry of a Judgment by Default in favor of Plaintiff.

This Order shall be published once each week for three consecutive weeks beginning on or before the 1st day of April, 1986. Mailing of this Order is required.

HONORABLE
FRANCIS L. WALSH
District Judge

PREPARED BY:
JOHN G. HUNTER
Attorney for Plaintiffs

BLOOMQUIST & HUNTER
306 State St.
P.O. Box 708
Grayling, Mich. 49738
Ph: 517/348-6141
-3-10-17-

Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made the 30th day of June, 1981, by Arthur R. Griffin and Helen Griffin, husband and wife, as mortgagors, to the United States of America, as mortgagee, and recorded on June 30, 1981, in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Crawford County, Michigan, in Liber 198 of mortgages on pages 06-09; on which mortgage there is claimed to be due and unpaid at the date of this Notice Thirty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Two and 88/100 Dollars (\$38,902.88) principal and Fourteen Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Nine and 59/100 Dollars (\$14,439.59) interest; no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt, or any part of the debt secured by said mortgage, and the power of sale contained in said mortgage having become operative by reason of such default;

NOW, THEREFORE, Notice is Hereby Given that on May 1, 1986 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon at the Front Steps (East Side) of Court-house in Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford, there will be offered for sale and sold to the highest bidder, at public

sale, for the purpose of satisfying the amounts due and unpaid upon said mortgage, together with the legal costs and charges of sale provided by law and in said mortgage, the lands and premises in said mortgage mentioned and described, as follows, to wit:

That property located in the County of Crawford in the State of Michigan. Land Situated in the Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, described as follows:

The East $\frac{1}{2}$ of the North $\frac{1}{2}$ of the North $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Southwest $\frac{1}{4}$ of the Northeast $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 10, Town 27 North, Range 4 West. The redemption period will be six months from the foreclosure sale. Property may be redeemed by paying the amount of the bid at the foreclosure sale plus 13% interest and any unpaid encumbrances on the property from date of sale.

Dated: March 19, 1986.
For additional information, contact UNITED STATES OF AMERICA acting through Farmers Home Administration, Room 209, 1405 S. Harrison Road, East Lansing, MI 48823, mortgagee.
-20-27-3-10-

Notice of Sale

JUDGMENT OF FORECLOSURE having been entered by the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford (File No.: 84-6-874-CH) against Defendants M-72 Associates, Crawford County Housing and Community Development, Gaylord State Bank and Northern National Bank, in favor of Plaintiff Kidde Recreation Products, Inc. The Court having ordered Defendants to pay Plaintiffs all sums due under a Land Contract dated October 1, 1979 or the real property secured by said indebtedness may be sold at public auction by the Crawford County Clerk to satisfy the amount adjudged due to Plaintiff.

Defendants, M-72 Associates, Crawford County Housing and Community Development, Gaylord State Bank and Northern National Bank having failed to pay Plaintiff and there remaining unpaid the sum of ONE MILLION FIFTY EIGHT THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED NINETY ONE AND 15/100 (\$1,058,591.15) DOLLARS together with accrued interest at 10.5% per annum from December 31, 1985 and no other civil action or suit preceding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover said debt.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the order of the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford and pursuant to the statutes in such cases made and provided, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on April 16, 1986, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, at the front door of the Crawford County Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan (that being the place of holding the Circuit Court within said County) the real property described herein will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due aforesaid, and any sum which may be paid by the undersigned at or before said sale for taxes and/or insurance on said property, and all other sums paid by the undersigned, with interest thereon, and all legal costs and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, which premises are described as follows:

Part of the S $\frac{1}{2}$ of Section 7, T26N, R3W, City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan. Commencing at the SW corner of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of the SW $\frac{1}{4}$ of said Section 7, thence S1°21'W, 17.25 ft. to the S1°17'W of State Highway M-72 and M-93, thence N45°45'E, 340.00 ft.; thence N44°21'E, 105.3 ft.; thence N41°56'E, 224.8 ft. to the P.O.B.; thence S50°14'E, 411.0 ft.; thence N64°34'E, 271.95 ft.; thence N88°17'E, 286.90 ft.; thence S45°49'E, 30.40 ft.; thence S2°07'E, 203.70 ft. to the bank of the Au Sable River; thence S 68°05'E (along said bank), 65.71 ft.; thence N44°07'E, 388.66 ft.; thence N45°49'W, 710.00 ft.; thence S44°07'W, 273.00 ft.; thence N45°49'W, 270.21 ft. to the S1°17'W of State Highway M-72 and M-93 thence S39°41'W, 494.7 ft., to the P.O.B.

Defendants, M-72 Associates, Crawford County Housing and Community Development, Gaylord State Bank and Northern National Bank, their successors and assigns or any person lawfully claiming from or under them, shall within six months from the date of the aforesaid judicial sale be entitled to redeem the entire premises sold, by paying to the purchaser, his executors, administrators, successors or assigns, or to the Register of Deeds in whose office the Deed is deposited for the benefit of said purchaser, the sum of which was bid therefore, with interest from the time of the sale at a rate of percent born by the judgment plus any other sums required to be paid by law.

KIDDE RECREATION PRODUCTS, INC.
Jennings and Turkelson P.C.
Attorneys for Plaintiffs
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- April 7 Childbirth Preparation Classes - Riverside Room, 7:00 p.m.; Ext. 320
- April 9 Diabetes Support Group - Diabetes Education Room 4 p.m. and 7 p.m.; Ext. 2011
- April 10 NEW Childbirth Preparation Class - Riverside Room 7:00 p.m.; Ext. 320 to register
- April 15 Mercy Hospital Volunteer Recruitment Information Sessions - Board Room, 10:00 a.m.; 2:00 p.m.; and 7:00 p.m. Contact 193
- April 17 STEP Program (for parents with children 2-10) St. Francis Church, M-72 West. 7:00 p.m. Registration required. Call 348-5461 or 348-5850
- Mercy Hospital Auxiliary Card Party - 12:00 Noon Holiday Inn
- Childbirth Preparation Classes - Riverside Room, 7:00 p.m.
- April 21 New Brother/New Sister Program - Board Room 7:00 p.m. Register by 4/18. Ext. 320

Masons to Meet

Grayling Lodge #356 F & AM will hold a Regular Communication on Thursday, April 3rd at 7:30 p.m. A pancake and sausage dinner will precede the meeting at 5:30 p.m. - Open to the Public. A Fellowcraft Degree will be conferred during this meeting.

Hospital News

Those discharged from Mercy Hospital during the last week were Linda Marshall of Grayling and Eileen Burgis of Prudenville.

Joel & Kimberly Neidenthal of Grayling are pleased to announce Kevin Michael on 3/26/86. Kevin weighed 6 lbs. 5 ozs.

CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank everyone who helped us during the time of our fire, the benefit dinner, and a big thanks to two very good friends, Mert & Dean Tobin, for helping us tear it down.

Bob, Clara & Marlene Cassidy

Chamber Takes Official Stand On Catch and Release Issue

The Board of Directors of the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, after polling much of its membership, and giving much consideration on the Catch and Release issue on the main stream of the AuSable River, has taken the following position:

The Department of Natural Resources computer modeling of brown trout size and population, shows that there are regulations that allow the harvest of trout, while at the same time allows for trout populations and sizes that nearly equal those gained through catch and release.

This being the case, the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce favors and encourages special fishing regulations for the Burton's to Wakeley water that protect this very special and unique fishery, but still allows some harvest of trout.

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce is opposed to total catch and release regulations for this water.

Spring Is Here!

Adult Enrichment Golf Class To Begin Tuesday, April 8

At 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday evening, April 8, golf enthusiasts and those who are contemplating taking up the game will be gathering at Grayling High School for the Community Education Program's annual course in golf. This year's class will be under the direction of golf professionals from a nearby golf resort. Cost for the 8 week class is only \$15.00.

This class is open to both those who have golfed previously and those who have never given the game a go. A great deal of emphasis will be placed on the improvement of each student's individual game. If you have clubs, bring them to class the first night.

Breakfast Fund-Raiser For Grayling Fish Hatchery Set For Sunday, April 13

The Grayling Fish Hatchery will be opening its doors soon and a breakfast fund-raiser has been set to help bring in start-up money for one of Grayling's main tourist attractions. The fund-raiser will feature a full breakfast menu at Wert's Lone Pine Inn 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday, April 13. At 12 noon, a special speaker will update the audience on the legal effort to halt a new catch-and-release rule on the mainstream AuSable.

Booster Club Scholarship

The Grayling Youth Booster Club scholarship applications for high school seniors can be obtained at the Grayling High School or the Crawford County Library.

Applications must be returned to the library on or before April 30, 1986, or mailed to Rose Duley, Rt. 1, Box 1523A, Grayling and postmarked no later than April 30, 1986 in order to be eligible.

Little League Registration For Summer Baseball

Registration for the Little League summer baseball will start Monday, April 7 thru Saturday, April 12, 1986 from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at R & H Sports on M-72 West.

To register you must:

1. Have a non-returnable copy of your birth certificate.
2. Parent or guardian must be present to register.
3. Minimum age: 8 years old by August 1, 1986.
4. Maximum age: 18 years old (cannot be 19 years old before August 1, 1986).

Only youth who did not register last year need to attend for registration.

Bowling Leagues

PIONEER LEAGUE

1. Terry & Dave's 76.....36
2. Millikin's Construction.....33
3. Cornell Agency.....33
4. Chemical Bank North.....28
5. Avalanche.....28
6. Dawsons.....19
7. Main Street Florals.....19
8. Skip's Sport Shop.....13

High Game: A. Moore 200, V. Wakefield 195, J. Harland & K. Moshier 191.
High Series: V. Wakefield 543, K. Moshier 541, A. Moore 525.

AMERICAN 2nd DIVISION

1. Scheer's.....32
2. McLeans.....28
3. Legion.....26
4. Clair's.....25 1/2
5. Glen's.....25
6. Patty's.....23 1/2
7. MCM.....15 1/2
8. Wiltse.....13

High Series: P. Nunn 583, K. Helsel 553, R. Metzger & M. Fortino 552.
High Game: D. Wiltse 237, D. Knasel & D. Metzger 208.

THURS. MORNING COFFEE L.

1. Spike's Keg O Nails.....37
2. Parson's Advertising.....32
3. Airway Automation.....28 1/2
4. North Central.....25
5. Max Muffler.....22 1/2
6. Silly Sam's Mail Shoppe.....22
7. Grayling Floor Covering.....20 1/2
8. Women of the Moose.....20 1/2

High Game: T. Galloway 232, K. Moshier 203, M. Canfield 200.

High Series: K. Moshier 542, T. Galloway 518, M. Canfield 513.

TRIANGLE LEAGUE

1. Straits Corp.....140 1/2
2. Kamp's Trash & Gbge.....132
3. Airway Automation.....127
4. Davis Jewelers.....118 1/2
5. Jack the Tinner.....112
6. Glen's Market.....104
7. Parson's Advertising.....82
8. Grayling Floor Covering.....80

High Game: D. Germain 220, B. Holborn 200, W. Fedewa 194.

High Series: D. Germain 573, W. Fedewa 523, B. Holborn 520.

FRIDAY NIGHT MIXED DOUBLES

1. Moshier's S & S.....33
2. Bear's Country Inn.....33
3. Jack Millikin Inc.....32
4. Flowers by Josie.....31
5. CCK.....29
6. Rochette's IGA.....27
7. Try Hards.....24
8. Weyerhaeuser.....15

High Game: M. Davis 205, S. Parks 186, M. Creps 185.

High Series: M. Creps 508, M. Davis 500, N. Millikin 490.

High Game: J. Parks 521, W. Black 498, K. Davis 480.

June Peterson had an all spare game.

SENIOR CITIZENS

1. Cornell Ins.....62 1/2
2. Great Lakes.....60
3. Promart.....58
4. Greenbush Tavern.....54
5. Flowers by Josie.....52 1/2
6. Larry & Joan's.....52
7. Chemical Bank.....47 1/2
8. R & H Sports.....45 1/2

High Series: G. Wolfe 525, B. Burdick 525, D. Germain 509, R. Pryor 501.

High Game: A. Donaldson 190, H. Ingram 190, G. Wolfe 188, E. Wilde 186.

High Series: B. Pryor 508, M. LaMotte 457, D. Bellanger 456.

High Game: B. Pryor 224, F. Lademan 167, D. Bellanger 165.

NATIONAL 1st DIVISION

1. Red Barn.....67 1/2
2. Eagles.....61
3. Northland Appliance.....50
4. Budweiser.....49
4. Carlisle Paddles.....49
6. Spike's Keg-O-Nails.....44 1/2
7. Legion Lounge.....44
8. Bear's Country Inn.....44
9. Holiday Inn.....52
10. Grayling Power.....51
11. Northern Erectors.....50
12. Wurtsmith Credit Union.....50
13. Northern Vending.....49
14. Scheer Motors.....47
15. Airway Automation.....46 1/2
16. Fabrics Bros.....45

High Game: M. Perez 211, B. Lange 209, G. Neilson 199.

High Series: S. Harland 528, G. Neilson 526, M. Perez 520.

World Cats

More than 30 kinds of wild cats prowl the world, says National Geographic World. They live on every continent except Australia and Antarctica and range in size from lions and tigers to some no bigger than house cats.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mullin spent Sunday in Mason with their family.

Margaret Douglas and Hugh Bitters spent Sunday in Traverse City with Tom Douglas and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Cadeau and daughters are enjoying a vacation in Florida visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Brown.

Tim Jones and friend spent Easter with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Jones.

The Cheerful Givers Club will meet in the club room Thursday evening at 7:30.

New books in the library are: "Glitz" by Elmore Leonard, "The Two Mrs. Grenvilles" by Domenick Dunne, "The Immigrant's Daughter" by Howard Fast and "The House of the Spirits" by Isabel Allende.

CARD OF THANKS

The Grayling Knights of Columbus wish to thank you for supporting this years Tootsie Roll Drive. A special thanks to the High Society Wise Guys, Pizza Hut, Golden Rule Printing, McDonald's and various businesses that allowed us to solicit on their property. This years drive, which was held on March 21 and 22, was very successful. As of March 23 a total of \$1,800.73 was collected to help the mentally handicapped. Again Thank You for your generosity.

"Mercy Matters"

By Sister Mary Ellen Howard, RSM
President and Chief Executive Officer
Mercy Hospital, Grayling

Monday, April 7th is World Health Day focusing on the theme, "Healthy Living: Everyone A Winner." This year's theme zeros in on sensible patterns of life and underlines the positive steps that individuals and communities can undertake to protect and promote their own health.

Staff physicians at Mercy Hospital remind you that preventive health care is important. Make a conscientious effort at maintaining a healthy lifestyle by following this advice:

- * Fiber-rich foods and fruits are good for health.
- * Sports begun early spur healthy lifestyles.
- * Clean mouth and gums ensure teeth for a lifetime.
- * Foods rich in Vitamin A save children's sight.
- * Hygiene is basic in reducing risk of disease.
- * Dancing is exercise and fun as well.
- * Sports performed to the extent of abilities is healthy.
- * Walking is the natural exercise, and so easy to do as well.
- * Swimming is the perfect sport for all ages.
- * Team sports give a boost to fitness in communities.
- * Vaccinate your children against polio, measles and other diseases.

Here are some reminders of what's not in your best health interest:

- * Smokers risk lung cancer and heart disease.
- * Alcohol is high in calories and low in nutrients.
- * Narcotics and hallucinogenic drugs are dangerous even to try.
- * Drunk driving threatens life and limb.
- * Too much salt and sugar are bad for health.
- * Junk foods fatten, lack vitamins and minerals.
- * Sedentary lifestyle, smoking, snacking and drinking is a recipe for ill health.

Promoting health doesn't mean taking away things that are pleasurable, but rather to live life to its fullest and avoid damaging your health through misuse of alcohol and drugs, for example. Everyone can be a messenger of health. The message should be carried everywhere: health is the only race where everyone is a winner.

Chamber Chatter

By Terry Wright

For the second year in a row the Grayling Chamber has been unsuccessful in its attempt to promote local business through a trade show.

Expo 86 was seemingly, designed just right. The Bear Museum was certainly the right building in the right location. This years booth prices, down considerably from last year, were right in line with other area shows. The show dates were set before the building season gets underway. A variety of "extras" such as entertainment and free childrens activities, were planned to entice consumer participation.

But despite our efforts not enough commercial interest was shown to warrant the show. Of forty-five available booth spaces, twenty-eight were unreserved when the show was cancelled. Of the seventeen that were reserved only nine were from local businesses. About five hundred invitations were sent out all across Northern Michigan and follow up phone calls were made on each invitation.

For some reason few people want a trade show in Grayling. Someone please tell me what we're doing wrong.

Our Weather

(Courtesy of Chuck Fick)

March	High	Low	Ground Snow on
25	66	32	8.0
26	58	30	0.47 Rain
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Community Calendar OF Events

- Apr. 13 - Arts Council Showcase [local Talent] Chief Shop-penagons Hotel
- Apr. 13 - Senior Citizen's Party - 80 yrs. old or older - St. Mary's Family Center 1:00-4:30 p.m.
- Apr. 18 - St. Mary's Fashion Show - Family Center 7:30 pm

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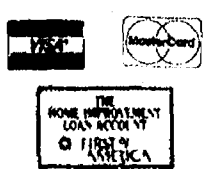
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*I have soared with the Eagles on wings made by man.
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*I have lain in her bosom, dreamed peacefully on her banks.
Listened to river life whispering its "thanks".*

*Been lulled by water riffling by a stump or a log.
Watched many a Sun rise above her early dawn fog.*

*I have waded her stream bed and fished for her Trout.
That's what the AuSable is all about.*

*Though it's true she's been misled in the past,
her waters, her bottom, her banks laid aghast.*

*Log slides and log jams tore at her heart.
Industry had done little for her natures art.*

*Then came our Forefather's Peter, Rube, Henry — yes Art.
Stephan's, Babbitt's, Feldhauser's, Wakeley's — all did their part.*

*They made the AuSable fishing a state-of-the-art.
They mended and healed that broken down heart.*

*They did it with love, they did it with tears,
certainly many a times their hearts filled with fears.*

*The hardships were plenty, the rewards far too few.
But for them, what would there be now — for both me and you.*

*Now comes the NRC with its infinite wisdom,
saying their going to deal with OUR heritage. — Your freedom.*

*First a regulation designed beyond doubt,
to rule the "uncouth" worm fisherman out.*

*True, fly fishing's a "Gentlemen's" sport,
enjoyed by many who have more than one port.*

*But wait, — think instead,
the Grandpaw-Grandson image is dead.*

*And what of the youngster who's just beginning,
not much older than just to go "spinning".*

*Then came the Canoeist — "shameful thing"
Bothering the "Gentlemen's" sport with his aluminum "sting".*

*The NRC said Canoes had to go.
The Courts spoke up and told them to "WHOA".*

*Though the Canoe is still here — better watch out,
the NRC is still lurking about.*

*Now, because of special interest aplenty,
We creel fishermen "AIN'T" going to get any.*

*If we people can topple the NRC's steeple,
perhaps once again the AuSable will belong to the PEOPLE.*

Peter W. Stephan

What's Next? Flush & Release

Well, it's finally here. We now have No-Kill fishing on the AuSable's famed Holy Water.

What a relief. Now we can start the next step to create the best possible grouse hunting in the state.

This, of course, is "Flush and Release" Grouse hunting. The project is in its absolute infancy, with a lot of details to be worked out, but it's a start.

The proposed area is the entire area of Beaver Creek Township. This section was picked because of its large grouse population and abundance of State land for easy access.

The rules are simple. You can have as many hunters as you like. The use of dogs will also be allowed.

However you cannot use shells with steel or lead shot. Shells must contain only gunpowder and wad.

With this type of hunting you can still get the thrill of your shotgun in your hand, the smell of gunpowder, the recoil of your shotgun against your shoulder. And then telling your pals, "I would have had that one." What fun!!

Of course these regulations will be formed in cooperation with DNR officials.

If sportsman and DNR officials work closely together to set up, staff, enforce, and fund this program it should be a lot easier to ram down the throats of the would-be "Kill-Freak" grouse hunters.

Like it or not this is the grouse hunting of the future.

"Flush and Release"

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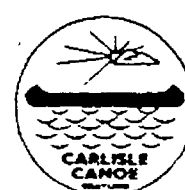
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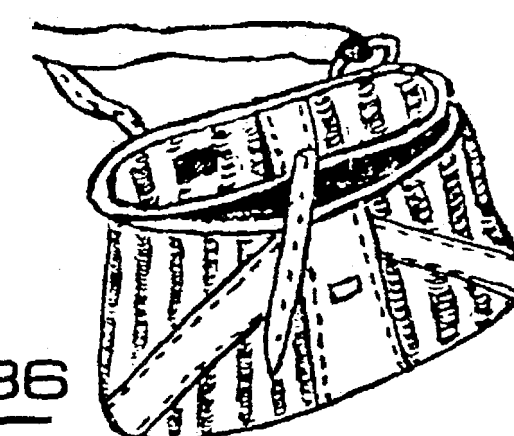
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Arguments Against Catch & Release Mandatory Rules

- Catch & Release on Mason Tract of South Branch is inconclusive thus far, but is reducing fishing pressure. The unpopularity of "catch & release" and the decline of usage may affect the study

- DNR Fish biologists and management personnel do not favor no-kill "experiment" on Main Branch

- Fly only stretches began as an "experiment" 30 years ago... and the program supposedly is yet "experimental." Whereas the fly fishermen enjoy the exclusive privilege of fishing the state's "quality trout waters," the remainder of the fishing public (approximately 85%) are opposed to the decided favoritism

- Carelessness and even careful handling will obviate so-called "no kill" in many instances.

- Detracts from the fisherman's ability to determine whether or not the fish will survive.

- Lack of food and better cover in recent years has contributed to smaller numbers of larger trout.

- The slot regulations of recent years seem quite satisfactory.



Opposition To Catch & Release Rule Gathering State-Wide Support

The Committee to Oppose Catch and Release of the AuSable and its fish population are opposed to the idea of the regulation. They do not believe that Catch and Release will do for the fish what should be done to maximize the population.

The decision by the NRC was made to satisfy the wishes of a small group of "elitist" who feel the public waters and the product of those waters are theirs and not the whole population of the state. The Department of Natural Resources that the NRC leads was created to manage the natural resources of the state for all of the people, not for elite groups.

There is a movement within our country to eliminate hunting as a recreation or to use animals for medical research to benefit mankind. Catch and Release is viewed by many as another step in that direction. It must be nobler to hook and hook and hook the same fish so it can be released to be hooked (some more) and then go to the store and buy fish that are caught somewhere else to feed a family than to catch one to eat??

The regulation also states that fish may not be possessed along this stretch regardless of where they are caught. Does this mean that a property owner who goes elsewhere to fish may not take them home because it is illegal to have them in his possession along this "Holy" stretch?

Support for the committee has come from most Grayling area businesses and organizations. Included in these supporters are such interested groups as the Grayling Sportsman Club, the Regional Council of the Michigan United Conservation Clubs, the George Mason Chapter of Trout Unlimited, the Salmon Association of Michigan, the Recreation Fishing Club, and the Vassar Fishing Club.

Rules Need To Be Based On Research

The controversy over a fishing regulation should be solved only by accepting the scientifically-based evidence. The "Catch and Release" or "No Kill" regulations are a problem facing our society which have far greater meaning than, "Will some fishermen eat fish from the AuSable River quality water for the next five years?"

The controversy started in the spring of 1985 with the review of Study No. 1927, "The Effects of a Slotted Size Limit on the Brown Trout Fishery of the AuSable River, Michigan" (printed November 1, 1984), written by Richard D. Clark, Jr. and Gaylord R. Alexander, research biologists from the DNR Fisheries Division in charge of the AuSable.

The facts appeared deceptively simple: The brown trout population had decreased on the Main Stream of the AuSable. These words were all a few people needed to read. Their reaction was: "Now is the time to establish a catch and release program on the Main Stream. Let's forget the study being done on the South Branch and just force catch and release philosophy on all those who fish the AuSable quality water."

These people didn't care about the real reason for the decrease in brown trout. A more appropriate reaction to their hasty conclusion should have been: "Show me why it is necessary to have catch and release? Is the fishery in danger?" In actuality, there is much more to the study than the proponents of No Kill extracted:

On page 13, the study explains that the control area, the North Branch of the AuSable, had the exact decrease as did the Main Stream. The DNR concluded that the changing environmental conditions led to a decline in the birth rate of brown trout over the period of the study.

In his book, "The Compleat Brown Trout", Cecil E. Heathcox, a noted New York fish biologist, states that,

"In the wild, survival of brown trout eggs to the fry stage is surprisingly high, a hatch often equal to survival in hatcheries. But then comes the crash decline. From fry through fingerling stage, a loss of over 90 percent takes place. Both yearlings and two-year-olds suffer a 50 percent loss each season. The brown trout is a relatively short-lived animal. Average life expectancy is a mere three years."

It is obvious from Heathcox's words that the natural environment factors — not regulations — have the greatest impact on the life expectancy of the brown trout.

Actually, there is also support from one of the authors of Study No. 1927. Gaylord Alexander is quoted in the "Bay City Times", Saturday, July 13, 1985, from his address to the AuSable River Property Owners Association in Grayling: "I can tell you that the rainbow and brook trout are doing well. The brook trout population is going up and the rainbows in the mainstream have exploded in the last few years."

On page 21 of the Study No. 1927, a possible explanation for this phenomenon is suggested:

"Annual brown trout recruitment decreased by 23 percent and brook trout recruitment increased by about 40 percent in the North Branch, where fishing regulations remained constant. Competition

between brook and brown trout must be playing at least some part in observed population changes. We think subtle changes in average temperatures during the growing season for young trout might have been the cause. Colder temperatures correlated with poor brown trout year classes and good brook trout year classes in our data set, and the average temperature in our after period was colder."

What this means in laymen's terms is that more brook trout survive in colder years than do brown trout. During the study years the average temperature was colder; thus, more brooks and fewer browns existed.

While many people might enjoy catching the large brown trout found in the great western rivers of the United States, others enjoy the simple pleasures of catching brooks and a few nice rainbows on a leisurely day on the AuSable. The rainbows have replaced some of the browns and provide excellent fishing in the daytime, when the big browns are inactive. This trade-off should be welcomed by the many fishermen who do not like the late night fishing required to catch the big brown trout.

Not all the rainbows are small, either. For example, the 27-inch hanging on the wall at Gates AuSable Lodge at Stephan Bridge was caught during the early season in the AuSable.

Our society faces a major problem because many people living in urban areas are too far removed from the rural lifestyle of plant and harvest. Too many city-dwellers possess the "Bambi Complex," fostered by the media, which portrays nature as peaceful and harmonious until some man — frequently a bad hunter — enters the scene and destroys it all.

All Michigan sportsmen are surely aware that last July at the Natural Resources Commission meeting in Gaylord, approval for a dove season was requested by and granted to the hunters of this state. Although the decision was eventually overturned, the fact remains that some of the same people who asked permission to kill doves are now asking that fishermen not kill fish.

NRC Commissioner David Olson, in the "Bay City Times", February 22, 1986, stated that catch and release will give Michigan the opportunity for "a really high quality fishing experience, which we simply don't have at this time." I would like to know where Mr. Olson fishes now. Millions of anglers think that Michigan already offers great fishing experiences, partly due to the effects of

scientific study and research.

While many states do have No Kill, they place it on marginal streams where trout are planted basically to improve productivity. Our Main Stream is neither planted nor nonproductive on the stretch in question.

True, productivity of the AuSable could be better. DNR biologists have done research on the effects of sand traps on trout reproduction. A large sand trap has been installed above the "Holy Water." If the money presently being spent on No Kill studies — which may approach one half million dollars before they are over — would be used to improve productivity, this would be a more appropriate response to research findings.

Dr. Robert J. Behnke, a renowned fisheries biologist from Colorado State University, addresses the catch and release enigma in a logical manner.

"It should be emphasized that sincere and knowledgeable anglers can get 'hung up' on special regulations, viewing them as a panacea for reversing trends of declining trout populations. Special regulations, although of potential value and locally significant, will play only a minor role in the overall future of trout fishing in America. Environmental quality is the key to flourishing trout populations and special regulations are meaningless without proper environment."

Behnke's research is only one of the many findings supporting environmental quality — not local regulations — as the key to flourishing trout populations.

If Michigan's sportsmen pay for years of study and research on the AuSable, shouldn't we then honor the findings and support the recommendations of the Fisheries Division — and overturn the NRC's decision in favor of No Kill? The only solution to the issue should be: Let's spend all of our time, effort, and money on improved environmental conditions and abolish the special regulations.

Author Michael R. Wieland is a science instructor at Grayling High School. He uses the NRC Register in his environmental science classes to illustrate how the DNR uses scientific evidence to formulate its regulations. He finds it difficult to respond when his students ask him the scientific rationale for the No Kill regulation on the AuSable River Main Stream.

52.2 Miles of Area Streams Restricted By Special Rules

Under the authority of Section 8, Chapter I, and subsection (d), Section 1a, Chapter III of Act 165, P.A. 1929, as amended, being 301.8 and 303.1a(d) of the Michigan Compiled Laws, special regulations are imposed on certain trout stream areas to allow a build-up of the trout population and improve the quality of fishing. Under this authority, no more than 100 miles of stream may be so managed. Eleven areas totaling 100 miles are restricted in the state. Those in the Grayling area are the following five:

CRAWFORD COUNTY

North Branch AuSable River from Sheep Ranch Access site (just upstream from Twin Bridges) to mouth (21.0 miles)


1. Artificial flies only*
2. Minimum trout size limit - brook trout - 8 inches; all other trout - 10 inches
3. Daily catch or possession limit - 5 trout
4. Extended trout season - April 26, 1986, thru October 31, 1986.

Mainstream AuSable River down from Burtons Landing to Wakeley Bridge (8.7 miles)

1. Artificial flies only
 2. Daily possession limit - zero (catch and release fishing only); trout may not be possessed in no-kill area regardless of where caught
 3. Season - no closed season.
- South Branch AuSable River, down from Chase Bridge to Lower High Banks (4.0 miles)
1. Artificial flies only*
 2. Daily possession limit - zero (catch and release fishing only); trout may not be possessed in no-kill area regardless of where caught
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4. Extended trout season - April 26, 1986, thru October 31, 1986.

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This order supersedes the previous order entitled "Quality Trout Fishing Areas", DFI-104.85, dated October 16, 1984, and shall take effect immediately and remain valid until April 24, 1987.


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State Fishermen Have Beef Against NRC

I am writing this article in response to Mr. Tom Anderson, Chairman of the N.R.C. of Michigan. Three years ago we did not have a "No Kill Stretch" on the AuSable River System. A No Kill Stretch was imposed on the South Branch from Chase Bridge to High Banks, a length about 3.5 river miles. The Department of Natural Resources extended that restriction another .5 miles to make a total of 4 miles. Most fishermen were not affected because all but a few feet out of 20,000 feet of river is bordered by State Land. It is most inconvenient to have to hurry through the No Kill area, if one wants to keep a fish. We threw most of our fish back anyway so that did not upset me much because it did not take away rights of many of the property owners. There is some question of the morale fiber of those that snuck this through, but it did not affect most of us much. Those who wanted No Kill were given their area; however, when only two years of a five-year study were completed, the No Kill experiment was deemed a failure. The N.R.C. did not await complete results of the South Branch No Kill experiment before they decided to add the "Holy Water" on the main stream of the AuSable. The N.R.C. seems to be ignoring scientific evidence.

A study of the effects of No Kill restrictions on quality trout water costs approximately \$50,000 a year. That means that N.R.C. will commit \$150,000 over the next three years to evaluate data. If that money is derived from license fees, it seems that our money will be wasted. So why the BEEF? "It's only a small stretch of river." From Grayling to Burton's Landing is 9 miles of river; there are three public access sites on the river between Grayling and Burton's Landing. These include Grayling, the forestry campgrounds, and Burton's. The campgrounds are one mile upstream from Burton's, so that leaves 8 miles of inaccessible water to the wading fishermen. So why the BEEF; the property owners won't mind trespassing and the fishermen will not mind being told to "get off private property". In the 8.7 miles of the "small stretch of river," there are 11 open access points and all of the water is wadeable. A fisherman can get into the river, but he can't keep any fish. If fish are caught above Burton's, they must be thrown back if the fisherman is going to go into the No Kill area. Fish caught elsewhere cannot be cooked along this "small stretch of river." (Not even in your own yard!) So why the BEEF?

After Wakeley's Landing, fish can be kept again. Downstream from Wakeley Bridge a fisherman has public access to the river in 6 places in the next 14 miles of river; however, these access points

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are too deep to wade safely. None of these access points provide wadeable water like the small stretch the N.R.C. has taken away. In order to keep a few fish to eat, the fisherman must go buy a boat or wade dangerously deep water. Does this matter to the N.R.C.?

Why the BEEF? "It's only a small stretch of river," but wait, they call it quality fishing water. Thanks, N.R.C., for saying a fisherman who wishes to keep fish does not have a right to quality water. I also have a right to quality fishing.

Why the BEEF? What about property owners along this 8.7 miles of AuSable River. These people, who pay high taxes and pay high prices for river frontage, are now told by the N.R.C. that they cannot go out and catch a fish in front of their house for

Committee Hires Ron Wilson

Scottville attorney, Ronald C. Wilson has been retained by the Committee to Oppose Catch and Release to represent them in a challenge of the mandatory Catch and Release regulation on the main-stream of the AuSable between Burton's Landing and Wakeley Bridge imposed by the Natural Resources Commission.

Attorney Wilson was selected because of his record of successful challenges of the N.R.C., the most notable in the Grayling area was representing the Recreation Canoeing Association against the infamous River Use Rules.

He has become known particularly for his interest in real estate, property rights and people's rights to "use without abuse" the Natural Resources of the state.

breakfast. A property owner must fish elsewhere if he wishes to keep his catch. Nice group of people. Thanks, N.R.C.

Oh, yes! Thank you, N.R.C., for spending millions of our tax dollars to hire people to do research studies and make recommendations so that you can completely ignore them.

So, why the BEEF? over such a "small stretch of river" where most of the property is privately owned, where the river is most accessible to the wading fisherman, and where the river is most productive for fish. Since this is called quality water, the rest must not be. It's the most wadeable and safest, and you want the rest to wade unsafe water. And, in case you don't know, we live in Michigan, not out west or in 21 other states. You are directed to manage the resources of the State of Michigan, not for 21 other states. You must do it with the standards of Michigan, not the other 21 states.

So, get off the band wagon and serve the people (all of the people) of the great state of Michigan.

Respectfully,
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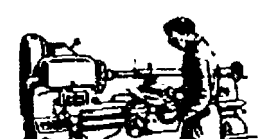
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Pardon Me, Your Ethics Are Poking Me In The Eye

The facts seem to be undisputed. DNR fish biologists do not favor (at this time) the implementation of a catch and release program on the AuSable main stream. Beyond that, the ballot-survey conducted by the Department reveals a strong majority opposes the proposal...especially among fishermen, guides and property owners who live on or near the great stream. Another factor which robs the Natural Resource Commission of any remaining credibility is the ongoing "South Branch study". The catch and release test program on the AuSable Mason Tract is just two years old, and it will be at least another three to five years before reliable scientific data will be sorted out.

Assuming our information and facts are correct, why then would the Natural Resource Commission adopt a no-kill program for the main stream? The answer seems somewhat implausible, unless one understands the interrelationship between the Natural Resource Commission and certain influential outdoor writers and representatives of certain key pressure groups.

The Michigan Natural Resource Commission is a politically appointed group of citizens charged (among other things) with the responsibility of adopting rules and regulations governing the taking of fish and game. With few exceptions, these individuals have no training or experience as naturalists or game biologists. Nevertheless, upon being appointed, they immediately attain the status of someone who knows...an insider...a person who must have some wisdom or special environmental knowledge... (why else would he or she have been appointed by the Governor?).

Having been thrust into the limelight of this august body, and probably feeling somewhat insecure about his or her credentials and ability to contribute, the appointee has one great concern. Having reached this pinnacle of notoriety, especially by political appointment, it would be most inconsiderate to make a mistake or much worse to be singled out for public criticism. Hence, the appointee, to be on the safe side, studies and quickly learns to emulate the old guard. The old guard (earlier appointees to the NRC) on the other hand, have their own mentors...those who critically review and critique everyone's performance. These mentors are few in number but wield an incalculable influence. Incalculable, especially when one views the entire scope of the wildlife resource and recreational opportunities of several million sports-

men. In this microcosm of resource management, the mentors...the moral tutors...these keepers of the environmental conscience are such personages as Tom Opre, Richard Buss, Rusty Gates, and probably a half dozen others, together with a host of pretenders. On some occasions as Tom Opre has entered the sanctum sanctorum (the official meeting place), the chairman or a member of the NRC will announce his arrival: "Let the records show that Tom Opre of the "Detroit Free Press" is now present" ... or words to that effect.

To the vast majority of our fellow Michiganders, the weekend sportsmen...the once-a-year hunter...the once-a-year camper...the fisherman who has never owned a fly rod...the ethics of the "elite" group are as inscrutable as Sanskrit and as foreign as Timbuktu.

Out of the mouth of this august "group" has come such pontifications as:

"We must get these canoes off the quality trout waters."

"Salmon snagging is no longer socially acceptable... it is unethical and must be outlawed." (This was said after adopting and encouraging salmon snagging for 14 seasons.)

"If you don't like no-kill, go fish somewhere else."

"The quality trout water of this state should be reserved for fly fishermen."

All of the foregoing ethical pronouncements have been translated into law...and all of these laws would promote the interest of a very few to the disadvantage of the vast majority.

The problem with powerful and insulated groups is that they tend to lose touch with reality. They begin to see themselves as bigger than life and wiser than mere humans. In their conceit, they fall prey to elitist or so-called "purist" philosophies. Hence, their pronouncements, in or out of context, are often ludicrous.

Given the overwhelming opposition to catch and release, and considering the fact that this program is neither essential to resource management nor is it recommended by the experts, one must conclude that the NRC has much different ethical standards than do most other reasonable people. The evidence would suggest that the "group" has succumb to the notion that the well-being of fish has a preeminent position in the context of resource

management. Moreover, it would appear that the "group" has also adopted the corollary which holds that man's recreational interests are subordinate to all other management factors.

There are a growing number of environmental "purists" who have a disdain for any type of recreational killing. This point of view is gaining political acceptance and is influencing wildlife legislation throughout the world. Against this philosophy are those who not only believe in reasonable conservation of fish and game, but who also recognize the importance of the human recreational opportunity and experience. The arbitrary denial of the right to "catch and keep" runs contrary to man's prehistoric as well as his modern and ongoing recreational objectives. The average sportsman (fisherman and hunter) is theistic. He assumes as self-evident that fish and game have been placed here by a Supreme Being for man's pleasure and needs. Moreover, the true sportsman has a reverence for the creatures which he is privileged to hunt and to take. Along this same line, and in support of this point of view, the Committee to Oppose Catch and Release (sponsors of this publication) contend that the recreational value of fishing is itself a significant factor having preeminent value in the scheme of resource management. In this same regard, it is the studied conclusion of the Committee that the Natural Resource Commission has abused its discretion by unwarranted imposition of catch and release upon one of the most valuable stretches of recreational fishing waters in North America.

In summary, the sportsmen of this State must view with alarm the implications of this decision, especially in light of the absolute failure of scientific support for "no-kill". How much longer can we expect to build blinds in order to kill beautiful deer with high-powered rifles...or to trap fox...or to spear pike...or to shoot wild geese????

Ostling Backs Repeal of New Catch-and-Release Rule

March 10, 1986

Mr. Peter Stephan, Chairman
Committee to Oppose Catch & Release
P.O. Box 392
Grayling, Michigan 49738

Dear Peter:

I am writing to assure you that my position on the recent action of the Natural Resources Commission imposing "no-kill" regulations on the AuSable is consistent with that of the Committee to Oppose Catch & Release.

I have written a letter to the Natural Resources Commission today expressing my opposition to its action. A copy of this letter is enclosed for your review.

As you know, I will assist the committee in its efforts to obtain repeal of the commission's order. Please keep me informed as to how I may be of service.

Sincerely,
Ralph Ostling
State Representative
103rd District

March 10, 1986

Mr. O. Stewart Myers, Chairman
Michigan Natural Resources Commission
Stevens T. Mason Building
Box 30028
Lansing, Michigan 48909

Dear Mr. Myers:

This is to express my concern with your actions taken at your February meeting regarding the catch and release regulation on the AuSable river from Burton Landing to Wakeley Bridge.

On reading the minutes, it is apparent that you completely overlooked the recommendations of staff and made your decision based on the public appearances of several "outsiders" and gave absolutely no consideration to the interest of those residents or "natives" who have had an ongoing concern for the AuSable for many years.

For the last fourteen years, I have represented Crawford County in the Michigan House of Representatives. During this time, I have served on the House Committee on Conservation and Environment, as well as the Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural Resources, working for many years with Tom Anderson. We went through a period when the attitude of both the Legislature and the general

public was in a state of disarray and disgust, beginning with canoe regulations, commercial fishing, Indian fishing, etc.

I have enclosed a copy of a letter from a Grayling resident to the Detroit Free Press, dated March 10, 1986. This gentleman, who has as much regard for the AuSable as anyone I know, states the situation precisely. Utter disregard for the feeling of the majority is completely in opposition to the ideals of a democratic government.

The public's poor perception of the department's handling of these and other matters stem from just this kind of arrogant, heavy-handed decision making on the part of the commission.

In recent years, I have worked closely with the department to improve its negative public image, and I believe that progress has been made. I am disappointed, therefore, that the commission would negate this effort by issuing an order so contrary to the wishes of local residents and the majority of anglers statewide. It seems that the commission has ignored its responsibilities to sport fishermen at large in an effort to curry favor with an elite minority of its constituency.

Please be assured that this action will not go unnoticed.

Sincerely,
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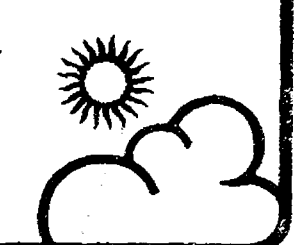
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